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The Forty-First Annual Communication of Grand Lodge will be held in the City of Saskatoon, on Wednesday, the eighteenth day of June, nineteen hundred and forty-seven.

Proceedings of the

M. W. Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan

Ancient, Free & Accepted Masons

AT THE

FORTIETH ANNUAL COMMUNICATION

HELD AT

Regina on the 19th Day of June, 1946

ORDERED TO BE READ IN ALL LODGES AND PRESERVED

WALTER LIVINGSTONE CLINK

Our newly installed Grand Master is truly a "man of the West." Born in that portion of the Northwest Territories which ultimately became Alberta, his family moved to Battleford in 1903, where he still resides. His parents were born in Ontario, and the Selkirk Settlement, the Red River and the Department of Indian Affairs formed the background of pioneer lives. His immediate Masonic history also commenced with his father's initiation in Old Battle Lodge in 1886 and the Most Worshipful son followed the same course on his return from Active Service in 1920, and later occupied the various chairs of the Lodge. He was appointed Very Worshipful Grand Steward in 1935 and elected to the Board of General Purposes in 1937, serving on various Committees of the Board.

Engaging in other activities he has been Grand Z of the Grand Chapter of Saskatchewan. He was one of the early members of the Boy Scout Association and as such journeyed to England for the Coronation of King George V.

In his profession as a lawyer he has built up an enviable reputation. He was admitted to the Bar in 1920 and commissioned as King's Counsel in the celebrations of the twenty-fifth year of the reign of King George V, whom he had seen crowned. He also served as agent of the Attorney-General for the Judicial District of Battleford for ten years.

In 1925 our Most Worshipful Grand Master married the eldest daughter of R.W. Brother W. R. Ridington and their family consists of two boys and three girls. The eldest boy followed in his father's footsteps and served his Country in the recent war.

Our Grand Master's achievements, the high esteem in which he is held, and the keen interest he has displayed in the Craft all mark him as a most acceptable choice for the high position he has attained.

"He comes of stock which plowed first
furrows in the nations' field."

M.W. BRO. WALTER LIVINGSTONE CLINK
GRAND MASTER, 1946-47

Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan
A. F. & A. M.

PROCEEDINGS: ANNUAL COMMUNICATION

Representatives of the Lodges assembled in the Hotel Saskatchewan, in the City of Regina, at 9.00 a.m., on Wednesday, June 19th, 1946.

9.05 a.m. Deputy Grand Master, Grand Officers and Past Grand Masters entered Grand Lodge.

9.15 a.m. The Most Worshipful the Grand Master entered Grand Lodge.

FLAG CEREMONY

Brother Cpl. C. F. Gilhespy, Royal Canadian Mounted Police, presented the Union Jack and Brother S/Sgt. D. J. McCombe, Royal Canadian Mounted Police, presented the Stars and Stripes at the Altar, using the following ceremonies:—

"I now present our Flag—the Union Jack— the emblem of Freedom and Democracy.

"As its component crosses were successively combined to symbolize the voluntary unions of free peoples, so may it continue to typify the greater unities of our wider Commonwealth.

"May the red, the colour of the sacrificial blood of the martyrs; the white like the snowy lambskin of Masonry and the blue of the changeless vault of the sky, symbolically depicting COURAGE, PURITY and TRUTH, blend wherever it floats the wide world round to blazon forth a sure pledge of Liberty, Equality and Fraternity for all peoples everywhere. Long may it wave!"

So mote it be. NATIONAL ANTHEM.

"I now present the Flag of the United States of America—the Stars and Stripes. As its stripes represent the original thirteen states and its stars represent the original thirteen and thirty-five other states which have been added successively to the great Republic, so may it continue to grow in the respect of other nations and in its powerful support of freedom the wide world over.

"The flag which I now present is a Ceremonial Flag, the gift of the Brethren of the Grand Lodge of Montana, and expresses not only their patriotism, but also their regard and affection for the Brethren of Saskatchewan.

"I join with my brother flag-bearer and borrow his words. Wherever the Union Jack and the Stars and Stripes float, may they, with one voice, blazon forth a sure pledge of Liberty, Equality and Fraternity for all peoples everywhere. In the unity of that pledge, long may they wave."

So mote it be. STAR SPANGLED BANNER.

WELCOME FROM GRAND MASTER

Brethren, it is a pleasure to welcome you to this Fortieth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan. Since our last meeting our enemy in the Pacific has capitulated. We are now hoping to achieve peace. Let us not be despondent that we have not yet reached that goal. It took many years to win the greatest war in history; we cannot expect to re-adjust the world in a few months. Also, since our last meeting we have lost two of our most respected Past Grand Masters, Brothers MacNeill and McCauley. They were regular attendants at our meetings and will be greatly missed.

This is your annual business meeting and I ask sincerely for your assistance in carrying it out expeditiously and in a business-like way.

OPENING OF GRAND LODGE

A constitutional number of Lodges being represented by their accredited representatives, Grand Lodge was opened in Ample Form and the Grand Chaplain implored the blessing of the G.A.O.T.U. upon its deliberations. The Brethren joined in singing "Oh, God our Help in Ages Past."

THE GRAND MASTER

M.W. Bro. F. C. Hayes, on the Throne.

THE DEPUTY GRAND MASTER

R.W. Bro. W. L. Clink

PAST GRAND MASTERS

M.W. Bros. W. B. Tate, R. Young, N. B. Williams, W. M. Martin, J. O. Clarke, C. P. Moore, N. R. Craig, J. R. Yorke, J. W. Estey, M. Musk, A. O. Brooks, D. Fraser, S. J. A. Branion, J. C. Carter.

Grand Senior Warden ..... H. Mackay (62)
Grand Junior Warden ..... F. C. Wilson (163)
Grand Treasurer ..... A. C. Garner (154)
Grand Secretary ..... Robt. A. Tate (11)
Grand Registrar ..... A. S. Pipes (3)
Grand Chaplain ..... E. H. Knowles (11)
Grand Senior Deacon ..... R. W. Thornton (192)
Grand Director of Ceremonies ..... D. A. Kane (26)
Grand Organist ..... H. F. Eaton (3)
Grand Tyler ..... R. J. Fleming (11)

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS

R.W. Bros. W. C. Shearer (1), Wm. Pedersen (2), W. R. Gunning (3), Harold Robb (4), A. W. L. Mann (5), P. C. Hill (6), John Candline (7), D. A. Gilliland (8), D. F. MacKay (9), Joseph Jira (10), C. N. E. Medforth (11), D. A. McMillan (12), James Park (13), W. S. McMillan (14), Arton Faust (15), E. C. Hollis (16), H. T. Kelly (17).

GRAND STEWARDS: J. G. T. Jennings (4), E. A. Mayo (121), C. C. Cameron (30), Mark Kay (103).

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES

Arizona—A. Greaves
Canada in Ontario—N. B. Williams
Chile—F. J. Truran
Colorado—W. C. Shearer
Connecticut—W. G. Robinson
Cuba—S. R. Stephens
Delaware—G. H. Hummel
England—W. M. Martin

Idaho—A. W. L. Mann
Illinois—Robt. A. Tate
Indiana—G. Hooker
Ireland—W. B. Tate
Kansas—E. H. Knowles
Kentucky—Wm. Pedersen
Maine—G. W. S. Eisnor
Manitoba—F. C. Hayes
Maryland—A. H. Stevens
Massachusetts—A. E. Miscampbell
Mexico (York)—J. G. T. Jennings
Michigan—C. P. Moore
Minnesota—C. H. Boyd
Missouri—J. O. Clarke
Nebraska—M. Musk
Nevada—A. S. Pipes
New Brunswick—D. A. McMillan
New York—S. J. A. Branion
New Zealand—E. H. M. Knowles
North Dakota—J. R. Yorke
Nova Scotia—N. R. Craig
Ohio—A. C. Garner
Oregon—H. S. Maxwell
Philippine Islands—F. A. Williamson
Quebec—W. O. Fraser
Queensland—A. F. McFaull
Rhode Island—T. Guest
Scotland—R. Young
South Carolina—J. C. Carter
South Dakota—F. C. Wilson
Texas—A. G. McLean
Utah—F. A. Dunk
Victoria—Wm. Leith
Virginia—D. Fraser
Washington—A. O. Brooks
Western Australia—E. C. Bird

REPRESENTATIVES CONSTITUENT LODGES AND PAST MASTERS

No. 1—Kinistino, Prince Albert: Robt. Young, G. G. Davis, N. J. Allbright.
No. 2—Wascana, Regina: W. H. Ross, D. D. Ross, D. M. Woodhams, C. W. Walker, W. M. Martin, E. S. Weeks, J. F. Lunney, T. Barraclough, S. C. Weaver, A. Thomson, T. H. Leddon, J. M. Wessel.
No. 3—Moose Jaw, Moose Jaw: A. S. Pipes, G. H. Glover, C. F. McDonald, A. L. Anderson, G. A. Ferguson, H. F. Eaton.
No. 4—Qu'Appelle Valley, Fort Qu'Appelle: J. M. Orr, J. G. T. Jennings, F. A. Dunk.
No. 5—Indian Head, Indian Head: W. K. Coulthard, J. E. Robinson.
No. 6—Qu'Appelle, Qu'Appelle: F. J. Truran, J. F. Bell.
No. 7—Moosomin, Moosomin: D. M. Tubman.
No. 8—Ashlar, Whitewood: J. G. Telford.
No. 9—Maple Leaf, Maple Creek: F. W. Martin, W. McKinstry.
No. 11—N.W.M.P., Regina: R. E. Smale, R. A. Tate, J. E. Campbell, W. G. Smith, H. S. Hanna, F. W. Kimberley.
No. 12—Yorkton, Yorkton: T. R. Luke, J. W. Hockley, J. J. Willoughby.
No. 14—Sintaluta, Sintaluta: G. Hill.
No. 16—Saskatchewan, Saskatoon: W. H. Moor, A. W. Heise, W. E. Rose, H. McConnell, T. H. Purvis, J. W. Estey.
No. 18—Melfort, Melfort: J. Hatton, W. Fell, I. Scott.
No. 19—Battle, Battleford: E. T. Loughery, W. L. Clink, C. V. Batchelor, G. E. Stuhr.
No. 20—Weyburn, Weyburn: C. P. Moore, P. K. Brown, W. C. Jeffrey, C. F. Rannie, J. Watson.
No. 24—Wolseley, Wolseley: W. Millar, J. G. Platt.
No. 25—Estevan, Estevan: J. Kershaw, A. H. Trout, Wm. Burton, J. A. Lackey, M. L. Clendenan.
No. 26—Swift Current, Swift Current: W. Ellison, C. D. McManus, A. MacIntosh, D. A. Kane, A. J. Wigmore, F. C. Hayes, R. J. Hodgson.
No. 27—Alameda, Alameda: J. W. Sherwin, R. A. Hamill, J. F. C. Fisher.
No. 29—Heward, Heward: H. E. Hill, F. W. Davis.
No. 30—New Hope, Stoughton: W. G. Cameron, D. A. Gilliland, C. C. Cameron.

No. 31—Ionic, North Battleford: J. Candline.
No. 32—Golden Rule, Pense: R. J. Morrison.
No. 33—Davidson, Davidson: L. J. Webb.
No. 34—Lang, Lang: G. C. Wight.
No. 36—Bruce, Francis: W. G. Robinson, S. Mitchell (Jr.), K. H. Whitney, A. H. Maguire, M. T. Seaman, W. H. McEwen.
No. 37—Wapella, Wapella: A. Macrone.
No. 38—Ekapo, Broadview: H. B. Lowe, I. A. Pollock, W. S. E. Inglis.
No. 39—Boscurvis, Oxbow: W. O. Fraser, J. H. Good.
No. 40—Rouleau, Rouleau: E. E. Johnston, E. Charles.
No. 41—Drinkwater, Drinkwater: R. J. S. Gilroy.
No. 45—Aurora, Theodore: G. T. Killam.
No. 46—Strasbourg, Strasbourg: W. G. Borland.
No. 47—Cupar, Cupar: C. E. Sandercock, W. McLean, Geo. A. Riches.
No. 48—Grayson, Dubuc: E. H. Clayton.
No. 49—Assiniboia, Regina: D. Fraser, F. A. Williamson, T. L. Elliott. A. E. Neville, W. M. Martin, G. B. Morrison, W. J. J. Walker, T. Andrew, A. D. Carrothers.
No. 51—Touchwood, Punnichy: E. J. Medland, C. G. Shooter, J. W. Latta.
No. 53—Nanatah, Balcarres: H. Robb, J. E. Chaplin.
No. 54—Buchanan, Buchanan: A. C. Jennings, J. A. Norsten.
No. 55—Craik, Craik: A. L. B. Holland.
No. 58—King Solomon, Kamsack: M. S. Fiest, S. Yonda, J. Olfman, N. Michasiw, P. Sookocheff, W. L. Hurst.
No. 59—Canora, Canora: H. Gleason, F. S. Partridge.
No. 60—Imperial, Saskatoon: J. Macklem, J. C. K. Langford, H. A. Canadine.
No. 61—Rocanville, Rocanville: D. F. MacKay.
No. 62—Melville, Melville: H. Mackay, W. M. Gillespie, T. J. McGee.
No. 63—Prince Albert, Prince Albert: W. E. Cutt, W. H. Halsey, S. J. A. Branion, M. Musk.
No. 64—Manitou, Watrous: V. R. Code, O. D. Ketcheson, R. Veitch, G. D. Mills.
No. 65—Outlook, Outlook: F. G. Bridges, J. C. Carter.
No. 66—Wynyard, Wynyard: R. L. Taylor.
No. 68—Govan, Govan: J. O. Clarke, A. W. Gunn, H. Niven, E. Lakness, T. Lakness, J. H. Edwards.
No. 69—Carrot River, Kinistino: C. S. Lowrie, R. R. McEwen, G. Forde, N. E. Strandquist, A. Arn, F. Arn.
No. 70—Cypress, Gull Lake: J. Macdonald.
No. 71—Doric, Moose Jaw: S. R. Stephens, C. H. Boyd, N. R. Craig, E. Eastwood.
No. 72—Corinthian, Lumsden: W. H. Kerr, P. D. Allen, P. R. Taylor, C. A. Smith.
No. 73—Unity, Unity: J. Anderson, J. Park.
No. 74—Kilwinning, Adanac: C. G. Thompson.
No. 75—Harmony, Perdue: H. P. Cundy.
No. 76—Tisdale, Tisdale: A. M. Fritshaw, C. E. Ready, J. L. James.
No. 77—Abernethy, Abernethy: N. B. Williams, A. O. Brooks, A. C. Burley.
No. 78—Tugaske, Tugaske: C. W. Wilson, E. A. Atkinson.
No. 79—Foam Lake, Foam Lake: J. Reid, J. Pendlebury, A. G. Baxter, H. J. B. Pendlebury, J. A. McColl.
No. 80—Connaught, Windthorst: G. E. Roy. R. H. Dew, W. Berryman.
No. 81—Tuscan, Semans: E. C. Hollis, J. N. Smith, F. J. Murney.
No. 82—Victoria, Alsask: W. C. Rainey.
No. 83—Meridian, Macklin: M. H. Kine, F. H. Stephens.
No. 85—Zealandia, Zealandia: R. Burnett, A. F. McFaull.
No. 87—Wadena, Wadena: A. P. Dowsett, W. T. Potts, A. Faust.

No. 89—Twin City, Sutherland: A. Schick.
No. 90—Kerrobert, Kerrobert: D. S. Hendry, J. W. James.
No. 91—Rosetown, Rosetown: H. N. Hyslop.
No. 92—Lodge Progress, Saskatoon: T. B. Jackson, N. G. Paterson.
No. 94—Maryfield, Maryfield: H. R. Bell.
No. 96—Yellowgrass, Yellowgrass: J. W. Peacock, P. C. Hill, H. J. Wilken, V. A. Wilkenson, J. A. Baker.
No. 97—Radisson, Radisson: A. M. Scott.
No. 98—Union, Kelliher: R. J. Eley, C. Stewart.
No. 99—Goose Lake, Delisle: H. E. Rankin, R. Harvey.
No. 103—Composite, Kennedy: M. Kay, H. M. Warner, W. J. Toppings.
No. 104—King Hiram, Regina: G. W. Durham, C. Blackham, C. L. Smith, H. J. Rendall, M. L. Moyer.
No. 106—St. John's, Assiniboia: W. H. McLean.
No. 107—Mortlach, Mortlach: A. Dunlop.
No. 108—Long Lake, Liberty: W. J. Cole.
No. 109—Limerick, Limerick: J. E. Batty, T. Logan.
No. 110—Shaunavon, Shaunavon A. M. Sanburn.
No. 111—Aneroid, Aneroid: E. S. Hammond, S. G. Corbin, W. S. McMillan, O. F. Schroeder.
No. 112—Woodrow, Woodrow: J. B. Hooker, R. J. McLachlan. G. W. Hooker, G. W. S. Eisnor.
No. 113—Broderick, Glenside: W. B. Tate.
No. 114—Central Butte, Central Butte: R. E. Wilson.
No. 115—Landis, Landis: A. G. Wheaton.
No. 116—Ceylon, Ceylon: E. R. Davis.
No. 119—Cabri, Cabri: S. W. Fowler, S. J. Leach, C. W. Haydon, C. F. Gibson, H. Rimmer.
No. 120—Ogema, Ogema: L. C. Smith.
No. 121—Simpson, Simpson: E. A. Mayo.
No. 123—Lancer, Lancer: J. B. Cross, H. Long.
No. 124—Mount Hermon, Pennant: E. Housego, C. N. E. Medforth, T. H. Bowditch.
No. 125—Latomia, Weyburn: J. H. C. Turner, W. H. Hart, M. A. Beacock.
No. 126—Cadillac, Cadillac: R. W. Atkinson, L. H. Bradley.
No. 128—Meyronne, Meyronne: J. M. Horner, T. G. Williams, W. Barber, R. E. Johnson.
No. 129—Mossbank, Mossbank: R. Collins.
No. 130—Togo, Togo: F. E. Penniston, S. A. Tripp, G. H. Parker, J. Jira, R. J. M. Parker.
No. 133—Philathea, Nokomis: G. H. Hummel, R. H. McDougall, L. L. Lymburner, G. B. Hamilton.
No. 134—Eston, Eston: R. J. S. Tracy, D. McAlister, A. J. Cox.
No. 135—Elrose, Elrose: M. B. Torrance, W. H. Walker, G. E. Cooney, G. V. Wiggins.
No. 136—St. George, Moose Jaw: J. F. Kerr, A. C. Woods.
No. 138—Kincaid, Kincaid: S. C. Moe.
No. 139—Riverhurst, Riverhurst: G. Deener, F. H. Lumley, A. R. Low, N. C. Rudd.
No. 140—Sceptre, Sceptre: L. E. Trew.
No. 142—Leader, Leader: J. E. Theaker.
No. 143—Hawarden, Hawarden: H. T. Kelly.
No. 144—Victory, Saskatoon: A. Greaves, J. T. Truscott, G. J. Shaw. A. McFarlane, C. M. Peel, K. I. Leslie, T. Guest.
No. 145—Elfros, Elfros: V. E. Virgin, R. W. Campbell, J. J. Bole, H. F. Bole.
No. 150—Wawota, Wawota: G. Ramage.
No. 152—Star City, Star City: M. S. Mooney, H. J. Brett, L. J. Stead.

No. 154—Banner, Regina: D. Black, R. C. Hodsman, A. E. Miscampbell. G. W. R. Clarke, F. C. Middleton, A. L. McLean, A. C. Garner.
No. 155—Raymore, Raymore: A. G. McLean, J. Tate.
No. 156—Avonlea, Avonlea: H. A. Cathro, F. C. Cathro, J. F. Middlemiss.
No. 157—York, Churchbridge: J. E. Conn.
No. 158—Borden, Borden: N. S. Smith.
No. 163—Fillmore, Fillmore: F. C. Wilson, T. R. Berry.
No. 164—Milestone, Milestone: W. Pedersen, W. G. Turner, M. R. Van-Velzer.
No. 165—St. Luke's, Plenty: R. S. Goodwin.
No. 166—Wakaw, Wakaw: O. R. Phelphs, P. J. Smith.
No. 167—Preeceville, Preeceville: G. E. Hickling, A. G. Buck, B. Esbensen, V. Sorenson.
No. 168—Earl Grey, Earl Grey: A. Binnie.
No. 172—Memorial, Moose Jaw: J. S. Allison, R. T. C. Heaps, A. L. McGowan, A. Wilton, C. M. Nixon.
No. 173—Lakeview, Tessier: A. W. L. Mann.
No. 174—St. Andrew's, Regina: E. C. Bird, W. S. Arrowsmith, P. E. Johnson, J. S. Gisby, H. S. Maxwell, W. F. Quine, B. J. O. Strong, R. S. Meldrum, J. R. Yorke, J. G. Wright, E. H. M. Knowles, J. E. L. Dickson.
No. 175—Radville, Radville: A. R. Robertson.
No. 176—Gray, Gray: F. B. Lewis, E. L. Kelly, E. A. Lewis, C. B. Lewis.
No. 177—Verwood, Verwood: R. Titilah.
No. 181—Tuberose, Kyle: W. O. Lindsay, K. W. Lytle, J. Grierson, C. E. Clark, E. Bath.
No. 183—Nipawin, Nipawin: A. W. Wright, W. Connell, W. C. Shearer.
No. 184—Osage, Osage: A. Shotter, J. W. Cooper, R. F. Swinton, L. Sherling.
No. 185—Loyalty, Ruddell: F. L. Stephens, A. J. Bater.
No. 186—Emulation, Regina. A. J. Haggett, A. C. MacLean, F. H. Auld. H. S. McClung, F. E. Doull.
No. 188—Glenedyth, Climax: A. H. Stevens.
No. 189—Herschel, Herschel: O. J. Turl, E. Rutherford.
No. 192—Sovereign, Sovereign: R. W. Thornton, J. A. Campbell, H. E. McIntyre, W. Leith.
No. 196—Lacadena, Lacadena: A. N. Calvert, A. G. Turner, D. A. McMillan.
No. 197—Chaplin, Chaplin· W. R. Gunning.
No. 198—Colfax, Colfax: C. J. Peacock, R. Johnston.
No. 199—Admiral, Admiral: A. C. Running.
No. 200—Hudson Bay, Hudson Bay Junction: J. Foster, R. Jervis, A. W. Skilliter, T. W. Gilmour, O. E. Olson.

HONOURARY MEMBERS—M. S. Donovan, Past Deputy Grand Master.

The Grand Master gave permission for all Master Masons, properly clothed and vouched for, to be admitted as visitors.

On motion of M.W. Bros. N. B. Williams and D. Fraser, it was resolved that: "The minutes of the 39th Annual Communication of Grand Lodge held in the City of Saskatoon on June 20th and 21st, 1945, as printed in the Proceedings and distributed, be taken as read and confirmed."

On motion of M.W. Bros. J. C. Carter and C. P. Moore, it was resolved that: "Printed copies of the regulations for the government of Grand Lodge being in the hands of all representatives, they be taken as read and adopted."

Distinguished Visitors

The following distinguished visitors were then escorted into Grand Lodge by the Grand Director of Ceremonies:

M.W. Bro. M. S. Donovan, Grand Master, Grand Lodge of Manitoba, was presented by R.W. Bro. A. C. Garner.

R.W. Bro. H. B. Donnelly, Deputy Grand Master,Grand Lodge of Manitoba, was presented by M.W. Bro. W. B. Tate.

M.W. Bro. Arthur G. R. Bond, Grand Master ,Grand Lodge of Alberta, was presented by M.W. Bro. J. C. Carter.

The Grand Master welcomed M.W. Bro. Donovan and R.W. Bro. Donnelly as follows:

"It is a pleasure to welcome you as representatives of our Mother Grand Lodge. A Saskatchewan Communication without representation from Manitoba would be unthinkable. M.W. Brother Donovan you are already a member of our Grand Lodge. We are happy to have you back and we congratulate you on your election to the high office which you now hold. R. W. Brother Donnelly, I believe this is your first visit with us but we trust it is only the first of a long series. Two weeks ago the Grand Secretary and I had the pleasure of visiting you at Winnipeg. We had a very enjoyable time and thank you sincerely for your hospitality."

The Grand Master welcomed M.W. Bro. Bond as follows: "The representative of our Sister Grand Lodge of Alberta is always a welcome and expected guest at our Annual Communications. We congratulate you on your recent Installation as Grand Master and extend our best wishes for a successful term of office. The Grand Secretary and myself enjoyed your hospitality last week. I doubt if we have yet wholly recovered. After visiting Manitoba and Alberta in successive weeks and then holding our own Grand Lodge immediately thereafter makes one wish he had the constitution of an Operative Mason instead of a frail Speculative one. We thank you for your kindness."

The Grand Master intimated that Brothers Donovan and Donnelly would be given an opportunity of addressing Grand Lodge before the sessions closed and Brother Bond would be the guest speaker at the banquet on Wednesday evening. The Grand Honours were then accorded.

Grand Master's Address

The M.W. the Grand Master delivered the following address which, on the motion of M.W. Bros. S. J. A. Branion and W. B. Tate, was referred to the Committee on Grand Master's Address and Jurisprudence:

Brethren:

It is with sincere pleasure that I welcome you to this Fortieth Annual Communication. It is a great privilege, though one we take for granted, to be able to predict with confidence that annually, on a given date, we will assemble at a place of our choosing, renew our acquaintanceship, transact our business and disperse without hindrance or question. As we meet in this manner but once a year, let us endeavour to make our proceedings pleasing to us in attendance and profitable to the Order.

At our last Communication we were happy that in the previous month the enemy in Europe had surrendered unconditionally; in the following August the enemy in the Pacific capitulated. We humbly thank our Great Creator for granting victory to our arms. May we be worthy and have sufficient strength and wisdom to carry out successfully the responsibilities that are imposed upon victors.

DISTRICT MEETINGS

Arrangements for a meeting of District Deputy Grand Masters were carried out immediately after the close of Grand Lodge. Useful and detailed instruction was given on the duties, responsibilities and opportunities of District Deputies. The address by R.W.Bro. Maxwell was particularly instructive and practical. My District Deputies received sufficient information to enable them to perform their work. I believe my Deputies were above average; several of them could, with considerable ease, fill the office of Grand Master. Our present form of district administration seems to be acceptable to the majority of the Brethren in the Province but eventually some change may appear desirable. The District Deputy is the personal representative of the Grand Master. It requires talent, a thorough knowledge of Masonry, and a willingness to sacrifice at least time for the good of the Order. It is not an office that should be given merely for long service, nor as a decoration, nor should it be passed from Lodge to Lodge as a matter of practice. Proper qualifications for the office should be the only consideration in selecting a Brother for approval and appointment by the Grand Master. A list of the District Meetings and the programme appear later in these Proceedings. The war having ceased, I thought the programme should revert to matters more strictly relating to Masonry, in place of items that were suitable during the war. The address by the Grand Secretary was educational and was appreciated at every meeting. The quiz contest was an experiment which proved popular and interesting beyond our hopes. Commencing July 3rd, the Grand Secretary and myself visited the eight Districts in the northern and western parts of the Province. On Sunday, July 15th, while at home preparatory to completing the second half of my itinerary, I had the misfortune to fracture my arm and was thereby prevented from making the remaining scheduled visits. It seemed advisable not to cancel the organized meetings practically without notice. M.W. Brother Douglas Fraser, on my behalf, attended the meetings at Moose Jaw, Weyburn and Regina; R.W. Bro. H. Mackay attended Canora and Wapella and R.W. Brother F. C. Wilson attended at Estevan and Wolseley. The Grand Secretary was forced to carry on alone at Swift Current and Woodrow as these meetings took place immediately after my accident. I will for ever be grateful to these worthy Brethren who so willingly exemplified our Masonic teachings by coming to my relief in my distress. I feel justified in thanking in particular M.W. Brother Fraser. He had the least notice and I know from the circumstances at that time that it was a real sacrifice for him to allot the time for the required meetings. At the Swift Current and Woodrow meetings my son, Lieut. W. P. Hayes, R.C.N., did what he could to make up for my absence by recounting to the Brethren, after the close of the meetings, some of his experiences in the Mediterranean and in the Arctic Ocean. I believe he also addressed the Brethren after the meeting at Moose Jaw. He was greatly impressed by the fellowship he found at those meetings and has since been accepted as a member of Swift Current Lodge.

Prior to the opening of the District Meeting at Elfros on July 9th, an Especial Communication of Grand Lodge was held for the purpose of dedicating the temple at that point, at which I presided ably assisted by our worthy Grand Secretary. The District Deputy Grand Master of District No. 15, R.W. Bro. A. Faust, R.W. Bro. R. H. Chant and other Brethren acted as Grand Lodge Officers. The Brethren of Elfros Lodge No. 145 showed great enterprise in purchasing a school house and remodelling it into a very comfortable Temple with a hall in addition.

NECROLOGY

"All await the inevitable hour." During the session of our last Communication we received word of the sudden passing of our Brother Thomas Miller, Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Saskatchewan, a distinguished

citizen and faithful Freemason. We were deeply shocked, as his presence at the meeting had been expected. Almost my first official duty was to issue a commission to M.W. Bro. Fraser and R.W. Bro. Tate to represent myself and Grand Lodge at the funeral in Moose Jaw.

On July 5th, 1945, at North Battleford, it was my sad duty to assist in carrying out our funeral ceremony at the grave of M.W. Brother Dr. J. W. MacNeill. At Moose Jaw on April 25th, 1946, we buried M.W. Brother James McCauley. We have suffered an irreplaceable loss in the deaths of these distinguished Past Grand Masters. They were regular attendants at our Annual Communication and were leaders in administering the affairs of Grand Lodge, through the Board of General Purposes. Memorials of these Brethren will be published in our Proceedings.

On February 7th R.W. Brother J. H. G. Russell, Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba and an Honourary Member of this Grand Lodge, died at Winnipeg after a long illness, at the age of eighty-three. "Uncle John," as he was affectionately know to all his friends, was a lovable character. He was a frequent and welcome guest at our annual gatherings. In token of our esteem of the deceased and of his Grand Lodge, our Grand Secretary and myself attended his funeral on February 9th.

On March 3rd, M.W. Brother William Henry Bland, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of British Columbia, died at Victoria. M.W. Bro. Bland took a prominent part in the deliberations at the Conference of Officers of the Western Grand Lodges in Banff last September. His interest in Masonry extended far beyond the boundaries of his own Province. He will be greatly missed at the Conference this year.

We extend to our Sister Grand Jurisdictions our deepest sympathy in the loss of the following eminent Brethren of whose deaths we have been notified officially during the year:

Arizona—A. A. Betts, Past Grand Master; Q. J. Anderson, Past Grand Master; T. R. White, Past Grand Master.
Colorado—A. E. Jones, Past Grand Master; D. A. Barton, Past Grand Treasurer.
Delaware—J. C. Dutton, Past Grand Master.
Florida—T. P. Warlow, Past Grand Master; J. L. Hall, Past Grand Master; R. B. Chapman, Past Grand Master; S. L. Turner, Past Grand Master.
Kentucky—H. L. Peterson, Past Grand Master.
Louisiana—A. T. Higgins, Past Grand Master.
Maine—F. O. Eaton, Past Grand Senior Warden; L. S. Howe, Past Grand Junior Warden; S. L. Andrews, Past Grand Junior Warden.
Manitoba—G. N. Jackson, Past Grand Master.
Mississippi—J. R. Tally, Past Grand Master.
Montana— R. W. Getty, Past Grand Master.
Nevada—W. B. S. Park, Past Grand Master; W. C. Watson, Past Grand Master; C. M. Torrence, Junior Grand Deacon.
North Dakota—F. C. Falkenstein, Past Grand Master; H. E. Byorum, Past Grand Master; H. G. Vick, Past Grand Master.
Nova Scotia—G. D. Macdougall, Past Grand Master.
Ohio—H. S. Kissell, Past Grand Master, Grand Treasurer.
Oregon—H. L. Toney, Past Grand Master.
South Dakota—L. G. Levoy, Past Grand Master.
Texas—G. A. Brandt, Past Grand Master.
Washington—A. W. Davis, Past Grand Master.
West Virginia—T. G. Strickler, Past Grand Master; H. H. Rose, Past Grand Master.
Wisconsin—K. W. Braasch, Past Grand Master; M. Jenks, Past Grand Master.

"There is no death, the stars go down
To rise upon some other shore,
And bright in Heaven's jewelled crown,
They shine for evermore."

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES

Acting upon the recommendation of the Grand Masters of the various Grand Bodies affected, I made the following appointments of Grand Representatives of this Grand Lodge, commissions being issued as follows: V.W. Bro. F. L. Hodgson, near the Grand Lodge of New South Wales; R.W. Bro. Howard C. Oxley, near the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia; Bro. J. Leroy Davis, near the Grand Lodge of Arkansas; W. Bro. Clifford A. Nunn, near the Grand Lodge of Chile; W. Bro. Ward M. Downs, near the Grand Lodge of West Virginia. This last named Brother succeeded M.W. Bro. Tom G. Strickler, who represented the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan near West Virginia since 1908, thirty-eight of our forty years of experience.

Following the discussion in the Board of General Purposes, I endeavoured to bring our list more up to date by recommending the following appointments of Grand Representatives of other Grand Lodges near the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan:

R.W. Bro. A. Greaves as Grand Representative of Arizona; W. Bro. R.W. Kirkby as Grand Representative of Arkansas; R.W. Bro.W. McDougald as Grand Representative of British Columbia; R.W. Bro. R. H. Chant as Grand Representative of Costa Rica; R.W. Bro. F. J. Truran as Grand Representative of Chile; R.W. Bro. S. R. Stephens as Grand Representative of Cuba; M.W. Bro. W.M. Martin as Grand Representative of England; R.W. Bro. W. C. Shearer as Grand Representative of Colorado; R.W. Bro. Robt. A. Tate as Grand Representative of Illinois; R. W. Bro. A. W. L. Mann, as Grand Representative of Idaho; R.W. Bro. Wm. Pedersen as Grand Representative of Kentucky; R.W. Bro. A. H. Stevens as Grand Representative of Maryland; R.W. Bro. A. E. Miscampbell as Grand Representative of Massachusetts; V.W. Bro. J. G. T. Jennings as Grand Representative of York Grand Lodge of Mexico; R.W. Bro. D. A. McMillan as Grand Representative of New Brunswick; W. Bro. T. L. Ferguson as Grand Representative of New South Wales; W. Bro. E. H. M. Knowles as Grand Representative of New Zealand; R.W. Bro. A. S. Pipes as Grand Representative of Nevada; M.W. Bro. F. C. Hayes as Grand Representative of Manitoba; R.W. Bro. H. S. Maxwell as Grand Representative of Oregon; R.W. Bro. E. W. Heffer as Grand Representative of Oklahoma; R.W. Bro. C. H. Preston as Grand Representative of Paraiba; R.W. Bro. F. A. Williamson as Grand Representative of the Philippine Islands; R.W. Bro. A. F. McFaull as Grand Representative of Queensland; R.W. Bro. W. O. Fraser as Grand Representative of Quebec; V.W. Bro. T. Guest as Grand Representative of Rhode Island; R.W. Bro. R. L. Hanbidge as Grand Representative of South Australia; R.W. Bro. Wm. Leith as Grand Representative of Victoria; V.W. Bro. E. H. Knowles as Grand Representative of Kansas.

DISPENSATIONS

Many, more or less routine, dispensations were granted for the convenience of Lodges. Some applications however were refused, of these might be mentioned: an application to hold an emergent meeting of Moose Jaw Lodge No. 3 at the Hotel Saskatchewan at which the third degree would be conferred; application by Dinston Lodge No. 131 to permit the Brethren to wear regalia at a social function at which other than members of the Craft would be present; application by Assiniboia Lodge No. 49 to have a member, who is blind, ballot by having the Senior Deacon place a white ball in the member's

right hand and a black ball in the member's left hand, guide the member to the Altar and let him deposit one of the balls; application by Victory Lodge No. 144 to examine a nervous candidate for his proficiency in private rather than in open Lodge.

Three Dispensations that I was happy to sign were those instituting three new Lodges. After proper investigation and full consideration, it appeared desirable and in the interest of the Order to institute Lodges at Glentworth, Rose Valley and Meadow Lake. The first was instituted by the D.D.G.M. of District No. 14, R.W.Bro. W. S. McMillan, on November 19th, 1945, the second by the D.D.G.M. of District No. 15, R.W. Bro. A. Faust, on April 25th, 1946, and at Meadow Lake on May 30th, 1946, by R.W. Bro. J. Candline, D.D.G.M. of District No. 7. Rather an interesting experience is disclosed in the D.D.G.M.'s report of this Institution. He refers to the fact that weather conditions during the latter part of May were very bad and that the roads became almost impassable. Apparently it is 112 miles from North Battleford to Meadow Lake and about 45 miles of the road have been recently graded. There had been very heavy rains. The D.D.G.M. and his party left North Battleford at 9. a.m. with two cars. During the journey a light rain turned into a veritable deluge and they faced the possibility of trying to get through 45 miles of almost impassable road. However ,the Meadow Lake Brethren sent out a jeep equipped with chains on all wheels and the D.D.G.M.'s party were successful in completing their journey and arrived in Meadow Lake at 2 in the afternoon.

PROCEDURE

Two regrettable and almost similar incidents occurred in different Lodges with respect to balloting. In one instance the Junior Warden, in reporting on a ballot, replied with the words "not clear," contrary to Approved Ruling No. 54, and as it happened contrary to fact; the Senior Warden reported the same as the Junior Warden but the Master found the ballot favourable and so declared it. He then had a second ballot taken which in fact proved unfavourable. In the other instance, the Junior and Senior Wardens both reported the ballot "cloudy" and the Master repeated the word, all controvening the said Ruling No. 54. A second ballot was taken with the same result. It was a small country Lodge and during recess the ballot was discussed — very improperly. In both cases but for the carelessness of the officers no second ballot would have been required. These matters were referred to the Grand Lodge office. I ordered that a new ballot be taken after notice of intention had been given on the regular notice. This was by no means a satisfactory solution, indeed I could find none that would be fair to the Lodges and the petitioners. The proper method of balloting is demonstrated at nearly every District Meeting and the proper response is indicated in Ruling No. 54 so there is really little excuse for the creation of such embarrassing situations. I have cited these instances mainly for the purpose of calling to the attention of Lodge officers the need for continuous alertness when dealing with the ballot.

Aurora Lodge No. 45 passed a resolution requesting Grand Lodge to communicate with the Dominion Government with respect to the matter of the deportation of Japanese. This seemed obviously contrary to one of our fundamental principles and at my request the motion was duly rescinded.

RULING

Landis Lodge No. 115 enquired as to whether it was necessary for all three members of an Investigating Committee to sign the report. I believe this point has been discussed before but could find no recorded decision. If one black ball were sufficient to reject an application, it would follow that the report would have to be unanimous but since two black balls are required to reject, I ruled that a majority report was sufficient.

CHANGE OF MEETING PLACE

After all Constitutional requirements had been complied with and the new premises inspected and reported upon, I approved of the change of meeting place in the case of Tuberose Lodge No. 181 where the Lodge was moved from Tuberose to Kyle; and in the case of Elbow View Lodge No. 56 where the Lodge was moved from Elbow to Loreburn. I feel certain that both these Lodges will develop and benefit as a result of the change in place of meeting.

CHRISTMAS MESSAGE

It was a great privilege to have the opportunity of sending out the first Peacetime Christmas Message. Though the world was and still is suffering from the effects of war, the fact that hostilities had ceased and that we could expect the safe return of surviving loved ones, made the Season one never to be forgotten. Together with the Grand Secretary I sent out the following Christmas message:

"CHRISTMAS, 1945"

Let there be light, Peace on Earth.

For the first Christmas in many years lights will be burning brightly throughout the world. The great war has ceased so far as the armies are concerned. With our Allies we have won the power to dictate the terms of peace to the people of the enemy nations. The first thing God created was light; the first casualty of the war was light. At Christmas we celebrate the birth of Him who said "I am the Light of the World," and who was called the Prince of Peace.

Unfortunately for the world, there seems to be two kinds of peace. Apparently as between nations it means the absence of war; but to the individual peace is something within his heart or soul — a feeling that the Light which came to earth the first Christmas Day has entered into his being. Peace imposed or enforced is self-contradictory. A condition where force is required to keep order, where all are punished for the guilt of some, where hate and bitter resentment surge in the hearts of the defeated, can be described only as suppressed war. Of what use is anything but a lasting peace? The kind we will obtain is the concern and responsibility of individuals including ourselves; it is the individual in every nation that has to realize his part in the world as a whole. Longfellow had no idea of the magnitude of the cost of modern war and yet he wrote:

"Were half the wealth,
Given to redeem the human mind from error,
There were no need of arsenals or forts,
The warrior's name would be a name abhorred?
And every nation that should lift again
Its hand against a brother, on its forehead
Would wear forevermore the curse of Cain."

Men must be blind or woefully slow to see. We claim that we want to outlaw war but seem to overlook the obvious, and I am sure the only way—the Christmas way — good will to men, means peace on earth. We have tried every other way, without success. I believe that we are now going in the right direction, and Masonry, which early teaches us to view in every son of Adam a brother, is taking a leading part. This is possible because we recognize no creed, color or sect, the basis of a complete brotherhood. Let us not stress nationalities, boundaries or religions which tend to emphasize differences but look upon all people as belonging to the human family. Edith Cavell on her way to being executed said: "Patriotism is not enough." How long it will take humanity to realize that the words "Our Father" are really

true, depends upon us as individuals. Even for our own sakes we should work and pray to hasten the day; let us have good will to all men.

"Down the dark future, through long generations,
The echoing sounds grow fainter and then cease;
And like a bell, with solemn sweet vibrations,
I hear once more the voice of Christ say Peace."

With our fraternal greetings and sincere good wishes,

ROBT. A. TATE,
Grand Secretary.

FRED C. HAYES,
Grand Master."

VISITATIONS

I regret that uncontrollable circumstances made it impossible for me to accept more of the kind invitations I received throughout the year. I was fortunate in one respect in that the Grand Lodges south of the boundary, with which we usually exchange fraternal visits, did not, at the request of their Government, hold their usual Communications. I was therefore not compelled to decide whether I could make such visits. Such associations are worthy and desirable. They should be maintained and cherished.

On October 19th, in company with the Grand Secretary, the Grand Treasurer and the Grand Junior Warden, I visited St. George Lodge No. 136 at Moose Jaw. This was the occasion of their annual "Canadian Night" which was fittingly observed. There was a large attendance and M.W. Brother N. R. Craig gave a splendid address.

On November 22nd M.W. Bro. P. T. Pilkey, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, visited Lodge Progress No. 92, Saskatoon, for the purpose of assisting in raising Bro. Rev. Donald Bruce Macdonald, his one-time pupil. The Grand Secretary and myself went to Saskatoon to welcome the visiting Grand Master. We also assisted him in conferring the degree and participated in the proceedings at the festive board. It was a grand meeting and we thoroughly enjoyed the visit of M.W. Brother Pilkey.

On January 8th I attended the Installation of Officers of N.W.M.P. Lodge No. 11, Regina, and at the succeeding banquet responded to the toast to the Grand Master and Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan. This was another excellent meeting. Because of its early and continued connection with the Mounted Police, this Lodge has a unique history in Saskatchewan Freemasonry. The newly installed Master is a member of the Force.

On January 23rd I visited Progressive Lodge No. 141 at Tompkins. Starting at 7:45 in the evening the Officers conferred the Entered Apprentice, Fellowcraft and Master Mason degrees. At one-thirty a.m. we sat down to a banquet that could not have been purchased in Regina at any price. This Lodge has a well-earned reputation for hospitality and good fellowship.

On April 17th I enjoyed a social evening with Cabri Lodge No. 119. This is an excellent Lodge in every way, a good example to any other Lodge in the District. The social hour in the smaller Lodges is something that would agreeably surprise members of the larger Lodges.

During the first and second weeks of June, the Grand Secretary and myself visited respectively the Grand Lodges of Manitoba and Alberta. These are reciprocal visits of long-standing custom and are eagerly looked forward to by succeeding Grand Masters. These Jurisdictions are held in the close ties of relationship to us of Mother and Sister, we are at home in either Jurisdiction. We have anticipated with pleasure the presence of their representatives with us today.

In September last I had the pleasure of attending for the second time the Conference of Grand Lodge Officers of the four Western Masonic Jurisdictions at Banff. I was accompanied by M.W. Bro. J. C. Carter and R.W. Brothers W. L. Clink, Robt. A. Tate and F. C. Wilson. There was a good representa-

tion from the other Provinces and, in addition, the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Illinois, M.W. Bro. Stuart Pierson with R.W. Bro. Geo. P. Ellis, Chairman of their Finance Board. We had a very profitable gathering. R.W. Bro. Clink will make a detailed report at this meeting. The Conference honoured me with election as President for the year 1946.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS AND APPRECIATION

1. To our Special Committees on Masonic Education and on Freemasonry and Youth, under the chairmanship respectively of M.W. Bro. S. J. A. Branion and W. Bro. E. H. M. Knowles, myself and Grand Lodge are deeply indebted. These Committees work twelve months in the year and render a service essential to carrying on the work of Grand Lodge. The fine contribution by these Committees is, I am afraid, far from completely understood or appreciated by the Brethren as a whole. Some special reward should be devised for them.

2. To the Benevolent Fund Trustees for their continued successful administration we give our sincere thanks. Our Trustees have such a wonderful and continuous record that we cease to marvel at it. One has to attend a meeting of the Board to understand how careful they are in making investments and how generous in considering all applications within their jurisdiction. We are indeed fortunate in having such eminent and capable Brethren willing to devote their time and talent to one of the most important activities of Grand Lodge.

3. To M.W. Bro. Douglas Fraser, not only for his assistance while I was unable to travel, but for his constant help and advice throughout the whole year. It is an understatement to say that he takes a keen interest in Masonry. He is a worthy and practicing leader of everything Masonic in our Province.

4. To M.W. Bro. S. J. A. Branion for acting on my behalf in dedicating the Lodge Temple at Melfort on August 8th. It was impossible for me to attend to this and I was very glad indeed to have such a capable Brother take my place.

5. To the Grand Secretary for his kind, patient and never-failing assistance. The multifarious duties of a Grand Master could not be performed without the co-operation and advice of an understanding and capable Grand Secretary. A Grand Master who assumes office with considerable trepidation is greatly comforted by the ability and efficiency with which even unusual matters are cared for and disposed of. I appreciate, too, the ready and cheerful help received from his staff.

6. To the Editor of the Tracing Board, Bro. George E. Robins, and his staff, we are greatly indebted for the high standard and usefulness of our publication. This also is an all-year task calling for care, industry and ability. We can be justly proud of our monthly messenger.

7. To all Brethren who helped to lighten my task throughout the year. There were many who by their words and deeds made the term the grandest year of my life. I will never forget the kind hospitality I received and the enduring friendships made during my attendance at the District Meetings and on my other visitations.

CONCLUSION

It is not necessary to listen to the radio to realize that "Time Marches On"; it is inexorable.

"The Moving Finger writes; and, having writ,
Moves on: Nor all your Piety nor Wit
Shall lure it back to cancel half a Line,
Nor all your Tears wash out a Word of it."

Yet it seems but a short time since M.W. Brother McGregor installed me in this lofty position. It is trite to say that it carries great responsibilities and demands considerable time and attention, much more than one would anticipate. I believe the demands will increase rather than lessen. It might be prudent to investigate the possibility of distributing the work so that the administration of our affairs will keep pace with our development. It is likely that we have had a record number of new members this year. The number of petitioners is clearly affected by depressions, booms and demobilizations. We early called to the attention of all Lodges the desirability of careful scrutiny of all material for the Temple, but there is no doubt of an abundance of worthy material. The work of the Grand Lodge office and the revenue is increased by the influx. I feel that neither the present quarters nor staff is sufficient to take care of the evident growth. An effort should be made to retain the interest of the newcomers. They in turn will attract new members. Our Grand Secretary has the experience and capacity to organize this work. I suggest that we should give him a young assistant who would be interested in the position as a permanency. Grand Lodge would then be in a position to make fuller use of the undoubted ability of R.W. Bro. Tate. Also the possibility of a building for the Grand Lodge office is an item that should be thought of by the Brethren throughout the Province.

Masonry has long held a high position in the eyes of the world. The principles upon which it is founded do not change with time or conditions. Members of the Fraternity have been persecuted and slain but the Order survived the last war as it has all others. In each of the countries occupied by the enemy, in his initial successes, a ruthless attempt was made to obliterate all evidence of Masonry. The oppressor knew that he could not exist in an atmosphere of tolerance and freedom. Our Brethren suffered physically and materially, yet we know that in many instances they contrived to meet and keep the light of Masonry from being completely extinguished. It will be our privilege and duty to help rebuild what was destroyed and to assist our affected brothers. No doubt we will be called upon in the near future in this respect. I know the response will be generous. We have reached our present desirable position by a strict adherence to our principles. These must be maintained in peace as well as in war, in fact there is probably more temptation to slight them in peace than under the challenge of war.

The year has seen the cessation of hostilities but can we say we have peace? We think of Masonry as a way of life, a life where honest labour is properly rewarded, where industry is inculcated, respect for constituted authority enjoined, where every man is recognized as a brother and entitled to our regard, where perfect charity, though never reached, is the ultimate goal. As citizens we cannot ignore the fact that our industrial and political systems are alarmingly unstable, that the freedom for which the war was fought appears to elude us. Old stories are often applicable to new conditions. I was reminded of this a few days ago when I re-read the legend of St. George and the Dragon. You will recall that when St. George went to battle the Dragon — the symbol of evil and terrorism — he prayed that in the battle none of the Dragon's blood should fall upon him. It may be that though we have overcome our enemies, some of their blood may have fallen upon us. But perhaps we are fated never to achieve peace and freedom this side of the grave.

We are reminded by Philip Stern that "the fight for freedom is an endless battle. Its victories are never final, its defeats are never permanent. Each generation must defend its heritage, for each seeming conquest gives rise to new forces that will attempt to substitute fresh means of oppression for the old. There can be no peace in a world of life and growth — every battle the fathers thought finished will have to be fought anew by their children if they wish to preserve and extend their freedom."

Yet if we persevere, fight the good fight and hold fast to our principles, we may take comfort from Byron's lines:

"For Freedom's battle once begun,
Bequeath'd from bleeding sire to son,
Though baffled oft, is ever won."

Fraternally,

F. C. HAYES, Grand Master.

Greetings and Regrets

Letters and telegrams were read from: M.W. Bros. J. K. Irwin, C. P. Seeley, J. McGregor, Past Grand Masters; Geo. Moore, F. P. Galbraith, Karl J. Mohr, Geo. F. Ellis, Russell J. Bradley, Sam Harris, Honourary Past Grand Masters; M.W. Bro. C. S. Hamilton, Grand Master Ontario; R.W. Bro. Roscoe C. Clark, Grand Representative near the Grand Lodge of Illinois; M.W. Bro. W. L. Stockwell, Grand Secretary, Grand Lodge of North Dakota; R.W. Bros. R. H. Chant, Grand Representative of Costa Rica; W. R. McConnell; W. McDougald, J. K. Pomeroy, Past D.D.G.M.s; V.W. Bro. C. E. Conlin, Grand Steward; W. Bro. R. W. Kirkby, (member Board of General Purposes), expressing regret at being unable to be present and conveying good wishes for a successful Communication.

Report of Grand Treasurer

The Grand Treasurer, R.W. Bro. A. C. Garner, submitted the following report which, on motion of R.W. Bros. A. C. Garner and F. C. Wilson, was received and with the Report of the Auditor, referred to the Committee on Finance.

To the M.W. Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.

Brethren;

I have pleasure in submitting my report as your Treasurer and attach hereto statement of receipts and payments for the year ended 31st March, 1946.

The details of the assistance payments from the Benevolent Fund will be found in the report of the President of the Board of Trustees.

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS
Year Ended 31st March, 1946
GENERAL FUND

Receipts:		
Cash on hand 1st April, 1945	$ 75.00	
Cash in bank 1st April, 1945	5,967.90	
		$ 6,042.90
Dues and fees:		
Arrears collected	$ 73.60	
Membership dues	10,133.90	
Initiation fees	4,112.00	
Affiliation fees	215.00	
Commuted Life memberships	606.20	
Past Masters and other certificates	206.00	
Fees paid in advance	.40	
		15,347.10
Carried forward		$21,390.00

Brought forward			$21,390.00
General receipts:			
Dispensations		$ 413.00	
Sale of supplies		1,013.40	
Interest on bonds		955.85	
Benevolent Fund grant		1,000.00	
Bond exchange		33.00	
			3,415.25
			$24,805.25
Payments:			
Salaries and Honoraria			
Grand Secretary	$3,180.00		
Grand Treasurer	200.00		
Grand Tyler	15.00		
Stenographer	1,260.00		
Office assistance	710.50		
Stenographer — Grand Lodge	10.00		
Auditor	250.00		
Committee on foreign correspondence	200.00		
		5,825.50	
Travelling:			
D.D.G.M's	$ 633.03		
Grand Master	498.51		
Grand Secretary	498.66		
Board of General Purposes	855.57		
General	133.32		
Conferences of Western Grand Lodges	289.30		
		2,908.39	
Office rental	$1,080.00		
Unemployment insurance	24.32		
Printing proceedings	731.21		
Stationery and supplies	723.64		
Safety deposit box rental	5.00		
Postage and excise	720.57		
Post office box rental	8.00		
Relief	125.00		
Grand Master's regalia	245.16		
Superannuation — Grand Secretary	561.60		
		4,224.50	
Grand Lodge expense	374.19		
Retiring allowance—Honorary Grand Secretary.	1,200.00		
Telephone and telegraph	141.63		
Light	27.83		
Flowers	52.34		
Cartage and express	78.42		
Sundry	75.02		
		1,949.43	
Filing cabinets	259.08		
Typewriter	153.50		
Index cards	310.59		
Light fixtures	165.96		
Regalia	358.84		
		1,247.97	
Bond purchased		1,000.00	
			17,155.79
			$ 7,649.46
Cash on hand—31st March, 1946		75.00	
Cash in bank—31st March, 1946		7,574.46	
			$ 7,649.46

REHABILITATION FUND

Receipts:		
Cash in bank—Scholarship Fund—31st March, 1945		$ 4,061.19
Cash in bank—War Relief Fund—31st March, 1945		13,465.85
Receipts for year		1,151.31
		$18,678.35
Payments:		
Disbursements for year		$ 273.75
Cash in bank—31st March, 1946		18,404.60
		$18,678.35

BENEVOLENT FUND

Receipts:		
Cash on hand and in bank — 31st March, 1945		$13,143.96
Initiation levies	$10,280.00	
Per capita tax	5,473.60	
Bank and bond interest	19,121.54	
Lodge contributions	185.70	
Collections on Fedyk agreement	250.00	
Arrears collected	48.40	
Dues in advance	.20	
Bond redeemed	2,000.00	
		37,359.44
		$50,503.40
Payments:		
Grant to General Fund	$ 1,000.00	
Expenses of Trustees	73.12	
Bank for custody of bonds	100.00	
Bonds purchased	32,757.41	
Assistance less refunds	13,075.50	
		47,006.03
Cash in bank — 31st March, 1946		$ 3,497.37

TRACING BOARD ACCOUNT

Receipts:	
Cash in bank — 31st March, 1945	$2,688.71
Subscriptions received	2,003.95
	$4,692.66
Payments:	
Printing, wrapping and mailing	$1,353.81
Cash in bank — 31st March, 1946	$3,338.85

EDUCATIONAL FUND

Receipts:	
Cash in bank 31st March, 1945	$ 987.34
Interest on bonds and savings	98.45
Cash in bank — 31st March, 1946	$1,085.79

ELWOOD TRUST

Receipts:		
Cash in bank — 31st March, 1945	$	165.77
Interest on bonds and savings		20.85
	$	186.62
Payments:		
Care of grave	$	12.15
Cash in bank — 31st March 1946	$	174.47

Fraternally submitted,

A. C. GARNER,
Grand Treasurer

Audited and found correct:

W. G. Smith, C.A.,
Auditor

Auditor's Report

Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.,
REGINA, Saskatchewan.

I have audited the books and records of your Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer for the year ended 31st March, 1946, and submit herewith the following schedules and reports:

Exhibit A—Balance Sheets
Exhibit B—General Fund—Revenue and Expenditure account.
Exhibit C—Benevolent Fund, Educational Fund, Elwood Trust, Tracing Board — Revenue and Expenditure accounts.
Exhibit D—Consolidated surplus account.
Exhibit E—Rehabilitation Fund.
Schedule A—Schedule of Investments.

I have verified all investments shown on the balance sheet, either by examination thereof or by certificate of custody from The Royal Bank of Canada.

I hereby certify that, in my opinion, the balance sheets set forth correctly the affairs of the Grand Lodge as at 31st March, 1946, and that the revenue and expenditure accounts show correctly the operations for the year, according to the information and explanations given me and as shown by the books of the Grand Lodge.

W. G. SMITH,
Chartered Accountant.

Regina, Saskatchewan,
2nd May, 1946.

Exhibit A—BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31ST MARCH, 1946

GENERAL FUND

Assets:		
Cash on hand and in bank—General Fund	$ 7,649.46	
Tracing Board	3,338.85	
		$10,988.31
Supplies for resale		74.70
Furniture and fixtures	$ 1,787.00	
Regalia	868.00	
		2,655.00
Investments — Schedule A	$20,677.00	
Accrued interest	250.00	
		20,927.00
		$34,645.01
Liabilities:		
Niblock trust		$ 6.10
Fees paid in advance		.40
Tracing Board		
Reserve for unearned subscriptions	$ 1,575.00	
Surplus	1,763.85	
		3,338.85
Surplus		31,299.66
		$34,645.01

BENEVOLENT FUND

Assets:		
Cash in bank		$ 3,497.37
Investments — Schedule A	$414,536.54	
Accrued interest	6,944.25	
		421,480.79
		$424,978.16
Liabilities:		
Dues paid in advance		$ .20
Revenue surplus	$ 31,239.23	
Capital surplus	393,738.73	
		424,977.96
		$424,978.16

EDUCATIONAL FUND

Assets:		
Cash in bank		$ 1,085.79
Advances to teachers		250.00
Investment — Schedule A	$ 1,595.00	
Accrued interest	3.75	
		1,598.75
		$ 2,934.54

Liabilities:

Surplus	$ 2,934.54
	$ 2,934.54

REHABILITATION FUND

Assets:

Cash in bank	$ 18,404.60

Liabilities:

Rehabilitation trust	$ 18,404.60

ELWOOD TRUST

Assets:

Cash in bank		$ 174.47
Investment — Schedule A	$ 370.25	
Accrued interest	8.00	
		378.25

Liabilities:

Elwood trust	$ 552.72
	$ 552.72

Exhibit B—REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE
Year Ended March 31st, 1946

GENERAL FUND

Revenue:		
Dues and fees		$15,273.10
Dispensation fees		413.00
Interest earned on bonds		836.85
Profit on sale of supplies		602.60
Grant from Benevolent Fund		1,000.00
		$18,125.55
Expenditure:		
Salaries and honoraria—		
Grand Secretary	$3,180.00	
Grand Treasurer	200.00	
Grand Tyler	15.00	
Stenographer	1,260.00	
Office assistance	710.50	
Committee on foreign correspondence	200.00	
Stenographer — Grand Lodge	10.00	
Auditor	250.00	
		$5,825.50
Travelling—		
D.D.G.M's	$ 633.03	
Grand Master	498.51	
Grand Secretary	498.66	
Board of General Purposes	855.57	
General	133.32	
Conference of Western Grand Lodges	289.30	
		$2,908.39

Office rent	$1,080.00		
Unemployment insurance	24.32		
Printing proceedings	731.21		
Sundry stationery and supplies	723.64		
Safety deposit box rental	5.00		
Postage and excise	720.57		
Post office box rental	8.00		
Relief	125.00		
Superannuation — Grand Secretary	561.60		
Grand Master's regalia	245.16		
		4,224.50	
Grand Lodge expense	$ 374.19		
Telephone and telegraph	141.63		
Light	27.83		
Flowers	52.34		
Cartage and express	78.42		
Sundry	76.02		
		741.43	
Depreciation — Furniture	172.63		
Regalia	50.84		
		223.47	
Retiring allowance — Honorary Grand Secretary		1,200.00	
			15,131.29
			2,994.26
Profit on exchange of bonds			5,400.00
Net surplus to consolidated surplus account			$8,394.26

Exhibit C—REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT
Year Ended 31st March, 1946

BENEVOLENT FUND

Revenue:		
Initiation levies		$10,280.00
Per capita tax		5,473.60
Donations		185.70
Collection on Fedyk agreement		250.00
		$16,189.30
Interest earned		19,113.79
		$35,303.09
Expenditure:		
Assistance, less refunds		$13,075.50
Grant to General fund		1,000.00
Bank for custody of bonds		100.00
Expenses of Board of Trustees		73.12
		$14,248.62
Transferred to Revenue surplus	$ 4,865.17	
Transferred to Capital surplus	16,189.30	
		21,054.47
		$35,303.09

EDUCATIONAL FUND

Revenue:	
Interest earned	$ 98.45
Expenditure:	
Surplus for the year	$ 98.45

ELWOOD TRUST

Revenue:	
Interest earned	$ 20.85
Expenditure:	
Care of grave	$ 12.15
Surplus for the year	8.70
	$ 20.85

TRACING BOARD

Revenue:	
Subscription revenue	$ 2,003.95
Expenditure:	
Printing, wrapping and mailing	$ 1,353.81
Reserve for unearned premiums	239.77
Surplus for the year	410.37
	$ 2,003.95

Exhibit D — CONSOLIDATED SURPLUS ACCOUNT
Year Ended 31st March, 1946.

Balance 1st April, 1945		$429,664.98
Net Gain — Benevolent Fund — Capital	$16,189.30	
Benevolent Fund — Revenue	4,865.17	
Tracing Board	1,763.85	
General Fund	8,394.26	
Educational Fund	98.45	
		31,311.03
Total surplus 31st March, 1946		$460,976.01

Exhibit E—SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Year Ended 31st March, 1946

District No.	Transferred from War Relief Fund	Receipts to March 31/45	Receipts Current Year	Disbursements	Balance on Hand
1	$ 823.15	$ 132.70	$ 45.00		$ 1,000.85
2	1,762.12	74.31	18.00		1,854.43
3	785.13	492.64	67.20		1,344.97
4	763.89	72.50	154.00	$112.75	877.64
5	1,782.30	127.20	105.00		2,014.50
6	864.00	199.00	61.00		1,124.00
7	565.00	256.30	54.50		875.80
8	228.00	151.01	142.00		521.01
9	355.50	199.20	45.00		599.70
10	428.30	408.64	55.71	75.00	817.65
11	580.44	72.50	13.00		665.94
12	1,075.92	820.60	110.00	54.00	1,952.52
13	905.40	174.40	102.40		1,182.20
14	798.75	314.10	12.00		1,124.85
15	338.50	13.50	66.50		418.50
16	384.42	119.00			503.42
17	517.50	433.59	100.00	32.00	1,019.09
Miscellaneous	507.53				507.53
Totals	$13,465.85	$4,061.19	$1,151.31	$273.75	

Balance 31st March, 1946 — Exhibit A $18,404.60

Schedule A—INVESTMENTS AS AT 31st MARCH, 1946

BENEVOLENT FUND

Province of Saskatchewan Bonds:			Face Value	Book Value
4 %	1949-54		$ 4,000.00	$ 3,125.00
5½%	1952		2,000.00	1,868.00
6 %	1952		16,000.00	15,559.25
4 %	1953-58		17,000.00	13,729.76
5 %	1954	F.R. F.L.	51,000.00	46,622.30
4 %	1955-60		8,000.00	5,708.00
4 %	1955-60		15,000.00	11,800.00
4 %	1957		1,000.00	752.40
4½%	1957	F.R. F.L.	5,400.00	4,861.60
5 %	1958		23,000.00	20,275.98
5 %	1958		5,000.00	3,477.50
5 %	1960	F.R. F.L.	86,400.00	85,582.05
4 %	1955-60		1,000.00	831.60
5 %	1960		9,000.00	9,967.50
4 %	1951	£582....		2,789.91
Dominion Government Guaranteed Bonds:				
3 %	1948-52	C.N.R. F.R.	3,000.00	2,925.00
5 %	1954	C.N.R. F.R.	40,500.00	43,724.00
3 %	1954-59	C.N.R.	2,000.00	1,945.00
4½%	1956	C.N.R.	5,000.00	5,210.00
3 %	1962	G.T.P. £400....		1,954.68

Dominion of Canada Bonds:

3¼%	1948-52	3,000.00	3,000.00
3⅓%	1948 War Savings Certificates	600.00	480.00
4½%	1948-58	1,000.00	1,020.00
3¼%	1951	3,000.00	2,970.00
3 %	1951	4,500.00	4,500.00
3 %	1953-58	3,000.00	2,970.00
3 %	1954	1,000.00	1,000.00
3 %	1956	6,000.00	6,000.00
3¼%	1956-66	1,000.00	990.00
3 %	1957	6,000.00	6,000.00
3 %	1959	5,500.00	5,507.00
3 %	Perp. Callable after 1966	5,000.00	4,825.00
3 %	Perp.	3,000.00	2,651.25
3 %	1962	10,000.00	10.000.00
3 %	1960	7,500.00	7,500.00
3 %	1963	10,000.00	10,000.00
3 %	1966	10,000.00	10,000.00

Sundry Bonds			Face Value	Book Value
6½%	1951	Regina School District	$ 2,000.00	$ 2,080.00
6½%	1951	City of Regina	3,000.00	3,056.00
6 %	1952	City of Saskatoon	1,000.00	1,036.00
5 %	1953	City of Moose Jaw	2,000.00	1,960.60
5 %	1957	City of Regina	3,000.00	3,011.00
5 %	1959	City of Regina	5,000.00	4,875.00
4½%	1959	City of Saskatoon	10,000.00	8,758.00
5 %	1959	City of Saskatoon	1,000.00	950.50
5 %	1961	City of Saskatoon	21,000.00	19,995.00
4 %	1966	City of Prince Albert R.S.	12,166.66	6,691.66
		£982	$434,566.66	$414,536.54

GENERAL FUND

4 %	1960	Province of Saskatchewan	$ 1,000.00	$ 1,009.00
4 %	1958	Province of Saskatchewan	500.00	504.00
5½%	1952	Province of Saskatchewan	4,500.00	4,195.00
4 %	1955-60	Province of Saskatchewan	10,500.00	10,594.00
5 %	1957	City of Regina	2,000.00	2,010.00
3 %	1962	G.T.P. Dominion Government £100		322.00
3 %	1966	Dominion of Canada	1,000.00	1,000.00
4½%	1957	Province of Saskatchewan F.L.	1,000.00	1,043.00
		£100	$ 20,500.00	$ 20,677.00

EDUCATIONAL FUND

4½%	1960	Province of Saskatchewan	$ 2,000.00	$ 1,595.00

ELWOOD TRUST

4 %	1960	Province of Saskatchewan	$ 500.00	$ 370.25

Grand Secretary's Report

The Grand Secretary, R.W. Bro. Robt. A. Tate, submitted the following report which, on motion of R.W. Bros. Robt. A. Tate and W. H. Moor, was received and referred to the Committee on Finance.

To the M.W. the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.

Brethren:

My annual report as Grand Secretary is presented herewith:

DISTRICT MEETINGS

The Grand Master and I, in conformity with the practice of previous years, developed a programme and itinerary for the annual District Meetings (see appendix). The programme called for an afternoon and evening session. Your Grand Secretary attended all District Meetings and at the afternoon session, as a member of the Board of Custodians of The Work, directed the exemplification of Ante-Room preparation; reception and circumambulation in the E.A. Degree; the five signs of the M.M. Degree; calling from labour to refreshment and from refreshment to labour; the alternative opening and closing Ceremonies, and gave instruction in the Board of Installed Masters. At the evening session I delivered an address on "The Secretary" and also conducted a Masonic quiz.

In connection with the District Meeting of District No. 15, I assisted the Grand Master in dedicating the Masonic Temple of Elfros Lodge No. 145.

PROCEEDINGS, COMMISSIONS, ETC.

Immediately after the close of the 39th Annual Communication the proceedings were compiled and copy submitted to the printer. Delivery from the printers was not as prompt as in former years, as a result of difficulties over which they had no control, and the proceedings were not available until the fourth week in September, when they were immediately distributed.

The mimeographing and printing and sending out of lists of Suspensions, Rejections and Restorations; Notices of Motion to amend the Constitution; the notice calling the 40th Annual Communication of Grand Lodge; Letters of instruction and information with reference to District Meetings, semi-annual Returns, meeting of instruction for D.D.G.Ms.; a copy of the new Installation Ceremony with covering letter to the Secretary of each Lodge, a copy of the new Installed Masters Rite Ceremony with covering letter to the Worshipful Master of each Lodge; received prompt and careful attention.

Commissions to fill vacancies as Representatives of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan near the Grand Lodges of Arkansas, New South Wales, Nova Scotia, Chile and West Virginia, were prepared and issued as stated in the Address of the Grand Master.

Certificates for elected and appointed Grand Lodge Officers, Fifty-year Veterans, 901 M.M. Certificates, 90 P.M. Certificates and 97 L.M. Certificates, were promptly prepared and issued as required.

The Committee on Printing and Supplies authorized the installing of a card index of our Grand Lodge register. There are over thirty thousand names to be indexed and filed and it is expected this work will require at least two years to complete. With this necessary addition our registration system will be more easy of reference, more accurate and will finally result in the saving of time previously spent in laboriously searching for the record of a particular member.

A reprinting of the Constitution, with all amendments to date, was authorized by the Committee on Printing and Supplies. Copy was supplied, proof carefully read and the new Constitutions are now in stock.

On the instructions of the M.W. the Grand Master "In Memoriam" notices were prepared and sent to all Lodges immediately after the passing of M.W. Bro. J. W. MacNeill and M.W. Bro. James McCauley.

A Christmas Message from the Grand Master and Grand Secretary was prepared and appeared in the December issue of the Tracing Board.

The work of the office is up to date.

DISPENSATIONS

The following Special Dispensations have been issued by direction of the M.W. the Grand Master.

To attend Divine Service wearing regalia: 50
To Elect, Install, or Elect and Install at date other than as set: 26
To transact regular business at time other than as set by Bylaw: 8
To act on petition from without Jurisdiction of Lodge: 17
To receive and act on petition from applicant not physically perfect: 6
To confer degrees short of time: 4
To confer Life Membership without Constitutional requirements: 17
To initiate in a Lodge other than that to which application presented: 2
To heal irregularity of Degrees conferred short of time: 4
To form new Lodges: 3
To extend six months period in which initiation to take place: 4
To ballot on petition without lapse of twelve months from last ballot: 2
To hold emergent meeting in place other than named in Charter: 1
Dispensations re applicants serving in His Majesty's Forces: 7

REGALIA REPLACEMENT

The D.D.G.M. regalia of Districts No. 4, No. 6, No. 12 and No. 15, having become completely worn out, were turned in to the Grand Lodge office and on authorization of the Finance Committee replaced with new regalia.

RETURNS

The following is a synopsis compiled from the Semi-annual Returns for August 1945, and February, 1946:

Total membership February 28th, 1945			13,301
Membership, Feb. 28th, 1945 on whom G. L. dues payable			12,097
Add—Initiated	1,028		
Affiliated	216		
Restored	100		
Charter Members Lodge U.D.	15		
		1,359	
Deduct—Demitted	301		
Suspended	56		
Deaths	184		
Commuted Life Members	97		
		638	
Membership, Feb. 28th, 1946, on whom G.L. dues payable			12,818
Commuted Life Members, Feb. 28th, 1945	1,204		
Added during year	97		
Deaths, Commuted Life Members	53		
		1,248	
Total Membership, Feb. 28th, 1946			14,066
Net Gain			765
Total number of Chartered Lodges			198

TOTAL INITIATES — NET LOSS, NET GAIN

The following table is compiled from the records of Grand Lodge.

	Total Initiates	Net Loss	Net Gain
1926	660	...	122
1927	778	...	515
1928	646	...	237
1929	697	...	373
1930	603	...	234
1931	400	..	24
1932	217	353	...
1933	198	530	...
1934	151	499	..
1935	169	476	...
1936	193	224	...
1937	253	169	...
1938	245	179	...
1939	265	144	...
1940	295	124	..
1941	337	86	...
1942	315	83	..
1943	380	...	55
1944	637	...	401
1945	961	...	771
1946	1,028	...	765

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

All fees, dues, etc., owing to Grand Lodge for the year ended March 31st, 1946, have been paid.

The following is a summary of the financial transactions of the office:

Receipts—General Fund		$19,067.10
	Benevolent Fund	37,660.17
	Educational Fund	98.45
	Elwood Trust	20.85
	Rehabilitation Fund	1,133.31
	Tracing Board	2,026.90
		$60,006.78
Deposits—General Fund		$19,067.10
	Benevolent Fund	37,660.17
	Educational Fund	98.45
	Elwood Trust	20.85
	Rehabilitation Fund	1,133.31
	Tracing Board	2,026.90
		$60.006.78

The Benevolent Fund receipts listed above include the following voluntary contributions: P. M. Sparks, Carnduff, $10.00; Battle Lodge No. 19, $12.00; Sceptre Lodge No. 140, $30.78; Gothic Lodge No. 105, $56.61; Herbert Lodge No. 180, $10 00; Macrorie Lodge No. 191, $18.31; Sovereign Lodge No. 192, $48.00. They also include an amount of $180.00, being refunds of grants.

Since the close of our financial year, a voluntary contribution to the Benevolent Fund in the amount of $30.00 has been received from Mossbank Lodge No. 129. This contribution will appear in the financial statement next year.

FIFTY YEAR GOLD BUTTONS

The required proof of fifty years' membership having been filed with the office, buttons were issued to Lodges as indicated herewith:
To Kinistino Lodge No. 1 for presentation to W. Brother R. J. Jones.
To Wascana Lodge No. 2 for presentation to R.W. Brother John J. Galloway.
To Moose Jaw Lodge No. 3 for presentation to W. Bro. J. H. Laird.
To Moosomin Lodge No. 7 for presentation to Brother J. T. Johnson.
To Moosomin Lodge No. 7 for presentation to Brother Walter Pennington.
To Yorkton Lodge No. 12 for presentation to R.W. Brother Henry Turner.
To Yorkton Lodge No. 12 for presentation to Brother Robert H. Lock.
To Melfort Lodge No. 18 for presentation to R.W. Brother J. Hatton.
To Corinthian Lodge No. 72 for presentation to W. Brother W. H. Kerr.
To King Hiram Lodge No. 104 for presentation to W. Brother Joseph Wood.

THE TRACING BOARD

The assembling of the material, proof-reading, supervision of distribution and general administrative work pertaining to the publication of The Tracing Board received prompt and careful attention.

CONFERENCE OF WESTERN CANADIAN GRAND LODGES

In company with the Grand Master, Immediate Past Grand Master, Deputy Grand Master and Grand Junior Warden, I attended the Fifth Annual Conference of Western Canadian Grand Lodges in Banff, Alberta, on September 7th and 8th. There were three representatives from Manitoba, nine from Alberta, four from British Columbia and special representatives in the persons of M.W. Brother Stuart Pierson, Grand Master, and R.W. Brother George P. Ellis, Chairman of the Finance Board, of the Grand Lodge of Illinois.

This Conference is becoming an increasingly valuable institution in Western Canadian Freemasonry. It is indeed an inspiration and a privilege to meet the leaders of the Craft and to participate in the discussion of problems of common interest to Freemasonry in Western Canada.

VISITATIONS

The following functions were, during the year, attended by your Grand Secretary officially:

On August 8th, 1945, the dedication of the Temple of Melfort Lodge No. 18. Following the ceremony a banquet was held at which your Grand Secretary was guest speaker.

On September 30th, 1945, a public meeting sponsored by Nipawin Lodge No. 183. The meeting was held in the Roxy Theatre at Nipawin and about two hundred persons attended. Your Grand Secretary delivered an address: "An Alarm is Sounding."

On October 19th, 1945, the annual "Canadian Night" of St. George Lodge No. 136, Moose Jaw. The Lodge honoured two of its members—R.W. Brothers T. W. McPhail and W. W. Snider. Your Grand Secretary spoke in tribute of the service rendered to Saskatchewan Freemasonry by R.W. Brothers McPhail and Snider.

On November 22nd, 1945, an emergent meeting of Lodge Progress No. 92, Saskatoon. The meeting was attended by M.W. Brother Dr. P. T. Pilkey, Grand Master of Manitoba, who with M.W. Brother F. C. Hayes and your Grand Secretary, assisted in the work of conferring the Master Mason Degree on Brother Rev. Donald Bruce Macdonald.

On February 24th, 1946, the semi-monthly meeting of the Regina Masonic Study and Research Club. Your Grand Secretary as speaker of the day delivered an address designed to be of special interest to Brethren recently admitted to the Craft.

On April 9th, 1946, the Thirty-third Anniversary celebrations of King Hiram Lodge No. 104, Regina. W. Brother Joseph Wood came specially from his home in Vancouver to preside and advantage was taken of the occasion to present to him Saskatchewan Freemasonry's Fifty-year Gold Button and Certificate.

On April 16th, 1946, the annual "Father and Son" Night of N.W.M.P. Lodge No. 11, Regina. As speaker of the evening your Grand Secretary delivered an address directed primarily to the boys.

On May 17th, 1946, a social evening of Qu'Appelle Valley Lodge No. 4, Fort Qu'Appelle. The Brethren were hosts to the young men of the community. Your Grand Secretary as guest speaker delivered an address designed to be of special interest to youth.

On June 4th, 1946, the Sixtieth Anniversary celebrations of Indian Head Lodge No. 5. Your Grand Secretary was commissioned to convey the greetings and felicitations of the Most Worshipful the Grand Master and in responding to the toast to the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan delivered an address of general Masonic interest.

In addition to the foregoing, I attended a large number of meetings in Regina and at outside points. As a result of the very heavy work in the Grand Lodge office, I was unable to accept invitations to numerous other meetings equally as important and deserving of attendance.

DEATH OF GRAND SECRETARY OF MANITOBA

In company with the Grand Master I attended the funeral of the Grand Secretary of Manitoba on Saturday, February 9th, 1946. Right Worshipful Brother J. H. G. Russell, Grand Secretary, Grand Lodge of Manitoba, and Honorary Member of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, died Thursday, February 7th, in the Winnipeg General Hospital at the age of 83 years. He was a Master Craftsman both as an operative Architect and a speculative Mason. In pioneer days, in his chosen profession, he designed many of the finest Church buildings in the West. They stand today as monuments to his "curious and cunning workmanship." Of like quality was his long service to Freemasonry, — as Worshipful Master, District Deputy, Chairman of various Grand Lodge Committees and finally for eleven years as Grand Secretary. Ever faithful, painstaking, patient and anxious to assist, he was affectionately known throughout Masonic circles as "Uncle John." The memory of his kindliness will long linger as a benediction.

GRAND MASTER'S REHABILITATION FUND

Following is a statement of the amount standing to the credit of the Lodges in this Fund as at June 1st, 1946:

Miscellaneous	$ 507.53	Weyburn, No. 20	$ 135.00
Kinistino, No. 1	210.00	Arcola, No. 21	50.00
Wascana, No. 2	175.50	Estevan, No. 25	356.00
Moose Jaw, No. 3	360.10	Swift Current No. 26	132.50
Indian Head, No. 5	85.00	Alameda, No. 27	52.40
Qu'Appelle, No. 6	38.00	Hanley, No. 28	50.00
Moosomin, No. 7	63.00	Heward, No. 29	19.00
Ashlar, No. 8	60.50	New Hope, No. 30	99.00
Maple Leaf, No. 9	78.30	Ionic, No. 31	50.00
Evening Star, No. 10	27.00	Golden Rule, No. 32	81.00
N.W.M.P., No. 11	353.73	Davidson, No. 33	85.00
Yorkton, No. 12	213.79	Lang, No. 34	73.40
Sintaluta, No. 14	49.50	Prince Rupert, No. 35	71.50
Amity, No. 15	145.61	Wapella, No. 37	34.00
Saskatchewan, No. 16	458.95	Ekapo, No. 38	159.80
Melfort, No. 18	49.50	Boscurvis, No. 39	10.00
Battle, No. 19	71.00	Rouleau, No. 40	138.39

Drinkwater, No. 41	$ 43.66
Caron, No. 42	28.00
Ishpaming, No. 43	39.25
Landmark, No. 44	171.20
Aurora, No. 45	55.75
Strasbourg, No. 46	47.00
Assiniboia, No. 49	205.50
Touchwood, No. 51	58.00
Border, No. 52	2.00
Nanatah, No. 53	109.00
Buchanan, No. 54	34.00
Craik, No. 55	60.00
Elbow View, No. 56	58.10
Prairie, No. 57	80.00
Canora, No. 59	31.00
Imperial, No. 60	369.50
Rocanville, No. 61	79.00
Prince Albert, No. 63	148.15
Manitou, No. 64	59.42
Outlook, No. 65	105.00
Wynyard, No. 66	137.00
Eyebrow, No. 67	69.00
Govan, No. 68	29.00
Carrot River, No. 69	29.00
Cypress, No. 70	22.00
Doric, No. 71	132.00
Corinthian, No. 72	53.00
Unity, No. 73	79.55
Kilwinning, No. 74	78.95
Harmony, No. 75	41.20
Tisdale, No. 76	194.90
Abernethy, No. 77	284.50
Tugaske, No. 78	166.95
Foam Lake, No. 79	35.00
Connaught, No. 80	54.00
Tuscan, No. 81	40.00
Victoria, No. 82	50.00
Meridian, No. 83	110.30
Lanigan, No. 84	72.00
Zealandia, No. 85	157.00
Kindersley, No. 86	154.00
Wadena, No. 87	32.00
Briercrest, No. 88	24.06
Twin City, No. 89	90.00
Kerrobert, No. 90	200.90
Rosetown, No. 91	901.42
Lodge Progress, No. 92	405.00
Morse, No. 93	22.94
Maryfield, No. 94	15.00
Evergreen, No. 95	29.00
Yellow Grass, No. 96	48.00
Radisson, No. 97	150.50
Union No. 98	53.00
Biggar, No. 100	185.00
Acacia, No. 101	20 00
Invermay, No. 102	25.00
Composite, No. 103	92.40
King Hiram, No. 104	207.00
Gothic, No. 105	100.00
St. John's, No. 106	50.00
Mortlach, No 107	10.00
Long Lake, No. 108	55.00
Limerick, No. 109	51.75
Shaunavon, No. 110	95.00
Aneroid, No. 111	62.05
Woodrow, No. 112	193.50
Broderick, No. 113	71.00
Central Butte, No. 114	170.45
Landis, No. 115	48.25
Ceylon, No. 116	75.00
Dundurn, No. 117	52.00
Paragon, No. 118	75.05
Cabri, No. 119	123.50
Ogema, No. 120	66 00
Simpson, No. 121	66.00
Azure, No 122	94.00
Lancer, No. 123	44.30
Mount Hermon, No. 124	52.00
Latomia, No. 125	154.50
Cadillac, No. 126	83.20
Birch Hills, No. 127	123.20
Meyronne, No. 128	68.50
Mossbank, No 129	20.00
Togo, No. 130	42.00
Dinston, No. 131	202.50
Conquest, No. 132	23.00
Philathea, No. 133	66.00
Eston, No. 134	167.00
Elrose, No. 135	247.50
St. George, No. 136	313.07
Tyrian, No. 137	58.00
Kincaid, No. 138	104.50
Riverhurst, No. 139	88.45
Sceptre, No. 140	98.90
Progressive, No. 141	58.50
Leader, No. 142	7.00
Hawarden, No. 143	62.04
Victory, No. 144	147.55
Elfros, No. 145	27.00
Asquith, No. 146	101.00
Elstow, No. 147	91.25
Dunblane, No. 148	46.00
Loverna, No. 149	83.00
Wawota, No. 150	25.00
Viscount, No. 151	19.00
Star City, No. 152	71.50
Banner, No. 154	165.50
Raymore, No. 155	10.00
Avonlea, No. 156	93.00
York, No. 157	143.70
Borden, No. 158	149.70
Cut Knife, No. 160	16.00
Welwyn, No. 161	19.00
Saltcoats, No. 162	36.91
Fillmore, No. 163	66.00
Milestone, No. 164	88.65

St. Lukes, No. 165	$ 100.00	Osage, No. 184	$ 104.00
Wakaw, No. 166	27.00	Loyalty, No. 185	76.40
Preeceville, No. 167	33.44	Emulation, No. 186	95.50
Earl Grey, No. 168	30.25	Glenedyth, No. 188	103.35
Sharon, No. 170	45.50	Turtleford, No. 190	103.00
Shellbrook, No. 171	15.00	Macrorie, No. 191	22.00
Memorial, No. 172	76.00	Sovereign, No. 192	341.00
Lakeview, No. 173	96.00	Mazenod, No. 193	22.00
St. Andrew's No. 174	129.00	Vanguard, No. 194	100.00
Radville, No. 175	82.00	Pleasantdale, No. 195	26.00
Gray, No. 176	28.00	Lacadena, No. 196	51.00
Verwood, No. 177	86.00	Chaplin, No. 197	96.23
Herbert, No. 180	26.00	Colfax, No. 198	78.10
Tuberose, No. 181	224.60	Admiral, No. 199	33.00
Lonach, No. 182	30.00	Hudson Bay No. 200	67.00
Nipawin, No. 183	135.60		
TOTAL			$18,244.54

Following are the disbursements from the Fund to June 1st, 1946:

Qu'Appelle Valley, No. 4	$ 112.75
King Solomon, No. 58	153.20
Melville, No. 62	81.86
Lucky Lake, No. 187	32.00
Herschel, No. 189	54.00

CONCLUSION

It is my privilege to report a net gain in membership of 765. For the first time since 1932 the formation of new Lodges is also reported. Increased activity has greatly increased the work in the office and much overtime service is necessary to keep the work up-to-date.

I wish to express appreciation for the co-operation extended to me during the year by Lodge Secretaries, D.D.G.Ms. and Grand Lodge Officers.

I have appreciated the opportunity of serving with Most Worshipful Brother Hayes. As Grand Secretary I have enjoyed close contact and intimate relationship with him. His sincerity, his constant desire to better serve the Craft and his thoughtful consideration have made the year one that will ever be a happy memory.

Brethren of Saskatchewan, I place in your hands the record of another year's service as Grand Secretary.

Fraternally submitted,

ROBT. A. TATE,
Grand Secretary.

Report of Board of General Purposes

R.W. Bro. W. L. Clink presented the report of the Board of General Purposes, which, on motion of R.W. Bros. W. L. Clink and H. Mackay, was received and adopted as follows:

To the M.W. the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.

Brethren:

At the conclusion of the 1945 Annual Communication, the Board met and selected Standing Committees, a list of which are set out at pages 145-146 of the Proceedings.

R.W. Bro. H. Mackay was elected Vice-President and R.W. Bro. Robt. A. Tate as Secretary.

The Board reconvened on Tuesday, June 18th, 1946, with 27 out of 31 members present. Of those missing one, M.W. Bro. Jas. McGregor, was ill and one was out of the province.

As President, I appointed R.W. Bro. A. S. Pipes, together with V.W. Bro. E. C. Bird and R.W. Bros. W. H. Moor, S. R. Stephens and A. Greaves, as the Credential Committee for this Grand Communication. I also appointed M.W. Bro. A. O. Brooks and R.W. Bros. G. H. Hummel, A. C. Garner and V.W. Bro. T. Guest a Committee to strike Standing Committees with direction to report to the Board immediately after the close of this Annual Communication.

The Deputy Grand Master of Manitoba, R.W. Bro. H. B. Donnelly, was asked to accept a seat with the Board.

The Board recommends that this Jurisdiction join those supporting the Conference of Grand Masters of North America and contribute the fee of $20.00.

The Board was advised by R.W. Bro. Robt. A. Tate, Grand Secretary, that notice had been given to our Grand Lodge of cancellation of the lease of the offices occupied by it in the Regina Masonic Temple. The Board recommends that a Building Committee be appointed by the Grand Master to cooperate with the Finance Committee in providing permanent quarters for the Grand Lodge Offices, either in conjunction with other organizations or on our own, and for this purpose may undertake on behalf of Grand Lodge an expenditure not exceeding $30,000.00. M.W. Bro. Douglas Fraser was added to the Finance Committee in the interim to arrange for temporary quarters in the present building, or elsewhere as might be convenient or advisable.

All reports of other standing Committees were received and referred to Grand Lodge, in some cases subject to amendment.

Fraternally submitted,
W. L. CLINK, President

Reports of District Deputy Grand Masters

On motion of R.W. Bros. H. Mackay and W. L. Clink, it was resolved that the following reports of the D.D.G.M.s, having been referred to the Committee on Condition of Masonry, they be taken as read and printed in the Proceedings:

DISTRICT No. 1

To the M.W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members
of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.

M.W. Grand Master and Brethren:

I beg to submit herewith my report as District Deputy Grand Master for District No. 1.

At my installation I set myself an objective of visiting each Lodge in my District on its regular meeting night, because I felt that this plan had four important advantages. First, it causes no loss of time or inconvenience to the members through having to attend Emergent Meetings called solely to receive the Official Visit. Second, it gives the D.D.G.M. the advantage of seeing and checking up the general routine business which does not come up in an Emergent Meeting. Third, the attendance as a rule is better at the regular meeting. Fourth, it gives the D.D.G.M. a chance to see more actual degree work. This plan meant spreading my visits throughout most of the year and

since my home town, Nipawin, happens to be located in the extreme North-East corner of the District, it meant a lot of long trips, a total of over 2,500 miles by car. However, I feel that the results more than justified the effort. I visited each of the 13 Lodges in my District officially once, and 12 of those visits were on regular meeting nights. The attendance was less than 50% in only four Lodges and it ran as high as 90%.

I found in my visits that Masonry is in a flourishing condition throughout District No. 1. Most Lodges are growing in membership and all are in sound financial condition. Now that gasoline is no longer a problem Lodges are resuming their fraternal visits with each other. There is a keen interest in Masonic Research, for which a great deal of credit must go to that splendid little publication, "The Tracing Board," which I found being used in all the Lodges.

The District Meeting was held at Prince Albert on July 6th with a recorded attendance of 106, made up as follows: The Grand Master and Grand Secretary; 3 P.G.M's.; 1 D.D.G.M.; 8 P.D.D.G.M's.; 40 P.M's.; 6 W.M's.; 3 S.W's.; 4 J.W's.; and 39 M.M's. Birch Hills, Melfort and Carrot River Lodges exemplified various portions of the ritual as set forth in the agenda, and the Grand Secretary also gave some helpful criticism and suggestions. At the evening session W. Bro. R. R. McEwen of Carrot River Lodge No. 69, was selected as D.D.G.M. for the next year. The Grand Secretary then gave a very instructive and interesting address on "The Lodge Secretary." This was followed by a Masonic Quiz Contest between two teams of six men each from Kinistino Lodge No. 1 and Prince Albert Lodge No. 63, which proved especially entertaining. The Grand Master then gave an inspiring address on "The Worshipful Master." At the close of the meeting the two Prince Albert Lodges entertained the visiting Brethren at a very delightful buffet lunch.

On August 8th I had the honour of acting as Grand Director of Ceremonies at the Dedication of the new Masonic Temple of Melfort Lodge No. 18. The Dedication was in charge of M.W. Bro. S. J. A. Branion acting for the Grand Master and was most impressive. It was followed by a banquet at which the Grand Secretary was guest speaker. Melfort Lodge is to be congratulated on the new Temple as well as on the excellent entertainment provided for the occasion.

I wish to express my appreciation to those Brethren in the various Lodges who accompanied me on many of my visits and to thank all Lodges in the District for their splendid co-operation.

I have enjoyed my year's work and I wish my successor, W. Bro. McEwen, a happy year as D.D.G.M.

Fraternally submitted,

W. C. SHEARER, D.D.G.M.

DISTRICT No. 2

To the M.W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members
of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.

M.W. Grand Master and Brethren:

I beg to submit herewith my report as District Deputy Grand Master for District No. 2.

All fourteen Lodges in District No. 2 have been officially visited during 1945-46. The District as a whole is showing progress and there has been a good healthy increase in membership. This has especially benefited the rural Lodges financially as well as increasing interest in Lodge work.

The District Meeting of District No. 2 was held in Regina on July 25th and all Lodges except one was represented. The M.W. the Grand Master was unable to be present so M.W. Bro. D. Fraser acted on his behalf. Inspiring addresses were given by M.W. Bro. D. Fraser and R.W. Bro. R. A. Tate. All present regretted the fact that the M.W. Grand Master, Bro. F. C. Hayes, was unable to be present but were pleased to learn that he was improving and expressed hope for his speedy recovery.

R.W. Bro. Tate addressed the District Meeting, his subject being "The Lodge Secretary." He stated that he had not chosen the subject himself but that it had been chosen by the Grand Master. He said in part, "Do not jeopardize the success of the Lodge by the election of a secretary without the qualifications necessary. These qualifications are of a high order and if you get a faithful, hardworking secretary do not spoil him by misunderstandings and criticism. If he has the love of Freemasonry in his heart he will be alert and active and will be making a great contribution to the welfare of the Brethren." He closed his remarks with saying, "A good secretary is beyond price, a poor secretary is dear at any price."

M.W. Bro. D. Fraser then addressed the meeting. He said that the Grand Master had intended addressing the meeting on the subject of "The Worshipful Master," which would have followed the address of the Grand Secretary. In his address he referred back to 1942 when he spoke as Grand Master. He had cited the message delivered by His Majesty the King at the beginning of the year on Faith and he had also quoted that great Statesman, Winston Churchill, who had also spoken on Faith, and a faith that had proven to be fully justified. Now he thought, that although we had won the war, the peace was still in jeopardy and we must study Freemasonry and its problems in a changing world.

The meeting selected V.W. Bro. E. S. Weeks of Wascana Lodge No. 2 as D.D.G.M. for 1946-47. R.W. Bro. H. S. Maxwell, P.D.D.G.M., presented his report for the year past. Portions of the first and third degrees were exemplified by R.W. Bro. Tubman and members of Rouleau Lodge No. 40, who occupied the officers' positions in the afternoon. During the evening session the officers' positions were occupied by Brethren from Drinkwater Lodge No. 41. To the Brethren ot these Lodges I wish to extend my kindest thanks.

My visits were well received and in all cases Grand Honors were extended. Very attentive interest was given to my addresses entitled, "A Youth or Democracy Night and the Duties of a Lodge to its Younger Brethren." This subject was prepared with the view of furthering Masonic thinking under the following headings. (1) Youth and the Price of Democracy; (2) The Duties of a Lodge to a Younger Brother; (3) The Duties of the Younger Brother to the Lodge.

The work in all Lodges is well maintained and conforms well to Grand Lodge standards. The secretaries gave me every assistance on my official visits during the year. Most of the Historical records were complete up to the time of my official visit. Lodges throughout the District have put on special nights to make their meetings of greater interest. A Grand Lodge Officers' Night was put on by N.W.M.P. Lodge No. 11, Regina, when three Fellowcraft degrees were conferred. Taking part in the ceremonies were representatives of twelve Lodges.

The Tracing Board seems to be a most popular addition to the work and life of Freemasonry and is much appreciated by all the members as a source of information and education. It is to be hoped that as time goes on it may be enlarged.

Visiting the Lodges in our District has been to me a great experience and privilege, and one which has given me a new insight into the fellowship of Masonry. Throughout the District there is a fine spirit of harmony and brotherhood.

I wish to express my appreciation to all Lodges in the District for their many kindnesses throughout my term of office and to wish them all continued success. I wish to my successor, V.W. Bro. E. S. Weeks, a most pleasant year as D.D.G.M. for District No. 2 and assure him of any assistance I can render. I wish to thank my predecessor, R.W. Bro. H. S. Maxwell, for the assistance he has so freely given throughout the year. I also wish to thank our Grand Secretary, R.W. Bro. R. A. Tate, for his assistance and many kindnesses rendered me on the several visits which I made to Grand Lodge office.

Fraternally submitted,

WM. PEDERSEN, D.D.G.M.

DISTRICT No. 3

To the M.W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members
of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.

M.W. Grand Master and Brethren:

I beg to submit herewith my report as District Deputy Grand Master for District No. 3.

There are fifteen Lodges in District No. 3, four in the City of Moose Jaw and eleven rural. I visited all the Lodges once officially, during my term of office.

The Annual District Meeting was held in the City of Moose Jaw, on Wednesday, July 18th, 1945. The meeting opened at 2:45 p.m., with the Grand Secretary, Rt. Wor. Bro. R. A. Tate, in attendance, and he advised the meeting that the Grand Master, Most Worshipful Bro. F. C. Hayes, would not be able to attend, due to an accident. Sincere regret was expressed by the Brethren. Ninety-nine Brethren registered. Five Lodges were not represented. The Brethren from Mossbank had to leave early, owing to it being their regular meeting night.

The Brethren at the evening session selected Wor. Bro. C. M. Nixon, of Memorial Lodge No. 172, Moose Jaw, as D.D.G.M. for District No. 3 for 1946-7. Most Worshipful Bro. D. Fraser, P.G.M., was at the evening session, having been commissioned by the Grand Master to act on his behalf. The Grand Secretary gave an instructive and informative address on "The Lodge Secretary." Most Wor. Bro. Fraser gave a very interesting address on "Masonry in a Changing World."

During my visit to the Lodges, I brought the greetings of the Grand Master and Grand Secretary, and good wishes for their continued prosperity and advancement in Masonic knowledge. In notifying the Lodges of my visit, I requested the Secretaries to bring all their books of record with them. I must say the response was very gratifying and the Secretaries are to be congratulated on their fine co-operation. The various records are kept in very good shape. The Officers of the various Lodges were good, and in some cases excellent.

I witnessed degree work in ten of the Lodges. The others had either balloting, or end-of-the-year work to clear up. Where there was no degree work being done, I had the Officers exemplify the work, as done at the District Meeting. Much interest was displayed.

I would like to suggest that a more serious study of Form 13 in the 1941 Constitution, and also the Approved Rulings be made, for the greater efficiency of the Worshipful Master and officers, and that Lodges pay more attention to sending notices of meetings to adjoining Lodges.

I would like to express my thanks to the Brethren of my own Lodge, and the Brethren of other Lodges, who assisted me in making some of my visits; to the Brethren of the District, for selecting me for the office of D.D.G.M., and to Rt. Wor. Bro. S. R. Stephens, District Secretary, for his able assistance, also for the many kindnesses and courtesies, shown me on my visits. My grateful thanks I extend to the Lodges of the District. I hope I have been able to assist them towards that perfection which we hope ultimately to obtain. Any assistance I may be able to give to my successor, I offer gladly.

Fraternally submitted,
W. R. GUNNING, D.D.G.M.

DISTRICT No. 4

To the M.W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members
of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.

M.W. Grand Master and Brethren:

I beg to submit herewith my report as District Deputy Grand Master of District No. 4.

My duties as D.D.G.M. for District No. 4 commenced at the District Meeting held at Wolseley on July 26th. All Lodges of the District were represented, with the exception of Earl Grey No. 168.

This gathering was honoured with the presence of the Grand Junior Warden, R.W. Bro. F. C. Wilson; R.W. Bro. R. A. Tate, Grand Secretary, and M.W. Bro. W. B. Tate, P.G.M. Under the supervision of the Grand Secretary an exemplification of the proper ante-room preparation was given. The reception of the candidate was ably demonstrated by Nanatah Lodge No. 53. Wolseley Lodge No. 24 exemplified calling from refreshment to labor and from labor to refreshment. The alternative opening and closing ceremonies were demonstrated by W. Bro. McClenagan of Wolseley Lodge No. 24, assisted by the Wardens of Qu'Appelle Valley Lodge No. 4.

W. Bro. Platt of Wolseley Lodge No. 24 was selected during the evening session to be recommended to the incoming Grand Master as D.D.G.M. for District No. 4. There were two very eloquent and inspiring addresses delivered during the evening session, the first being delivered by the Grand Secretary, entitled, "The Secretary," in which he went fully into the selection and duties of this particular office in a Lodge. The second address was given by the Grand Junior Warden, entitled, "Some Reflections concerning Masons and Masonry of Tomorrow." The Grand Secretary also conducted a Masonic quiz during the evening, which created a great deal of interest among the attending Brethren.

The condition of Masonry within the District is very good. Even in the weaker Lodges there appears to be a rounding of the corner to better times. Practically every Lodge has had an influx of new members. Interest in the Lodges appears to be very keen and progressive, especially by the younger members. In financial matters the Lodges are progressing favorably, a slight increase in total assets being noted, with the total liabilities cut practically in half over the previous year. There is also evidence of a sharp rise in average attendance.

I paid at least one visit to each of the nine Lodges in my District during my term of office as D.D.G.M. and received a courteous welcome on each occasion. A proper Masonic spirit was at all times evident.

I wish to thank the M.W. the Grand Master and Brethren of District No. 4 for the honour and privilege of serving them as D.D.G.M., which has been of great pleasure and profit to me. Also I wish to extend my thanks to the Grand Secretary and his staff for their courteous and able assistance accorded me on my several visits to the Grand Secretary's office.

Fraternally submitted,
HAROLD ROBB, D D G M.

DISTRICT No. 5

To the M.W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members
of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.

M.W. Grand Master and Brethren:

I beg to submit herewith my report as District Deputy Grand Master for District No. 5.

The District Meeting was held on Wednesday, July 11th, 1945, in the Masonic Temple, Saskatoon. Immediately previous to the opening of the District Meeting a Board of Installed Masters was opened and a number of questions answered to the satisfaction of the goodly number of Past Masters who were present. The new opening was explained by R.W. Bro. Robert A. Tate, Grand Secretary. The Board of Installed Masters was closed at 2:55 p.m. and the District Meeting opened.

R. W. Bro. W. H. Moor introduced the Grand Master, M.W. Bro. F. C. Hayes, accompanied by M.W. Bro. James McGregor and R.W. Bro. Robert A. Tate, Grand Secretary. They were received in due form and given customary Grand Honours and welcomed by R.W. Bro. Mann. The Grand Master suitably acknowledged the welcome given him. I feel very gratified and pleased to report that at this particular meeting we had representation from nearly every Lodge in the District and a large representation from each Lodge.

R.W. Bro. A Greaves, P.D.D.G.M. presented his report for the past year which was a very interesting and healthy report. The flag was presented by W. Bro. Husband of Evergreen Lodge No. 95, Harris. A demonstration of ante-room preparation was given by Evergreen Lodge No. 95. The Grand Secretary, R.W. Bro. Robert A. Tate, added considerable detail and emphasized the importance of a candidate being prepared mentally and that he be impressed with the dignity and high importance of Freemasonry, and dwelt at length on the responsibility of the Brethren sent to prepare the candidate. The five signs of the M.M. Degree were exemplified by W. Bro. Smith-Jones. The meeting was closed in short form by W. Bro. Frank Higgins as a demonstration of this new form. The meeting was adjourned at 4:50 p.m.

The evening session opened at 7:30 p.m. when the first order of business was selection of D.D.G.M. for 1946-47. W. Bro. Langford of Imperial Lodge No. 60 was selected to be D.D.G.M. for 1946-47 and his selection was confirmed by the Most Worshipful the Grand Master.

The Grand Master, M.W. Bro. F. C. Hayes, gave a very instructive and inspiring address, his subject being "The Worshipful Master," which was appreciated and enjoyed by the Brethren. The Grand Secretary held a Masonic Quiz on questions relative to the first degree and the Constitution. Two sides were chosen, the city Lodges against the country Lodges, a representative from each Lodge taking part. The members seemed to enjoy this quiz immensely, in fact so much that in my visits I endeavoured to follow the example of our Grand Secretary and received hearty response from the different Lodges. Delisle Lodge took a team over to Asquith Lodge to compete there, which was very successful.

It is with deep regret I have to report the passing of our dear Brother, W. Bro. R.W. Lindsay, Secretary of Victory Lodge. He will be greatly missed by his Brethren as he was a friend to everyone. He accompanied me on my official visit to Elstow Lodge and gave an interesting talk. Our deepest sympathy is extended to his son, who is a member of Victory Lodge and also to his family.

I officially visited each Lodge in the District once and also attended the installation ceremony of some of the city Lodges, which was an inspiration and pleasure to me. On nearly all my visits I was accompanied by W. Bro. Langford, D.D.G.M. Select, who was a real help to me. He will be a wonder-

ful asset to the District next year when he makes his visits. I hope I can be with him occasionally as he was so good to me. W. Bro. Pratt of Lakeview Lodge also was a stand-by. He only missed two or three meetings in all my visits. I would also like to mention R.W. Bro. J. R. Young of Victory Lodge, who gave me a lot of good fatherly advice and help.

I had the pleasure of being present at the annual "At Home" of Elstow Lodge, held at Elstow. R.W. Bro. A. Greaves accompanied me, he being responsible for the entertainment. I was also present at Evergreen Lodge No. 95, Harris, when they held their annual "At Home" for Masons, their wives and families. The speaker for the evening was W. Bro. A. Irving of Saskatoon who gave a wonderful running story of a trip across Canada. I also attended a Father and Son banquet at Evergreen Lodge and took a small part, the evening being a huge success and the boys very appreciative of their efforts.

On November 9th, I attended a Masonic "At Home" for Masons and their families at Goose Lake Lodge No. 99, Delisle, the speaker being W. Bro. A. Irving of Saskatoon. The lights quit before the speaker was finished, which somewhat spoiled the evening. However, everyone had an enjoyable evening. My own Lodge held a reception for the returned boys, W. Bro. Langford and W. Bro. Hodgson of Saskatoon being the speakers. I also had the pleasure of attending Lodge Progress on the occasion of the visit of the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, M.W. Bro. P. T. Pilkey, and the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, M.W. Bro. F. C. Hayes, accompanied by Past Grand Master M.W. Bro. James McGregor and R.W. Bro. Robert A. Tate, Grand Secretary. The M.W. the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba conferred the Master Mason Degree on Bro. Donald Bruce Macdonald, which was very impressive and instructive. He also gave a wonderful address entitled 'The Square'. I think this was the highlight of my visits. M.W. Bro. F. C. Hayes, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, also gave an interesting talk, which was greatly appreciated, and R.W. Bro. Robert A. Tate, Grand Secretary, spoke briefly on the improved condition of Masonry in Saskatchewan.

My impression after visiting the Lodges in the District is that Masonry is in a flourishing condition. There is a large increase in membership in all Lodges and the attendance at meetings is showing an increase. The officers coming up in the Lodges are nearly all young men and are qualifying themselves for further advancement.

I do wish to express my sincere appreciation to the members of the Lodges in District No. 5 for the honour they bestowed upon me and the privilege of serving as D.D.G.M. It has been a pleasure to me and I do appreciate the very many courtesies extended to me on my visits. I trust that the same support will be given to my successor in office, W. Bro. Langford, when he takes over.

I also wish to sincerely thank the Grand Secretary and his office for their kindness, co-operation and assistance. I feel some slight regret that my year in this very pleasant office has been completed.

Fraternally submitted,

A. W. L. MANN, D.D.G.M.

DISTRICT No. 6

To the M.W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members
of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.

M.W. Grand Master and Brethren:

I beg to submit herewith my report as District Deputy Grand Master for District No. 6.

The District Meeting was held in the Masonic Temple, Weyburn, on July 20th, with a registered attendance of forty-four members, the smallest in

several years. This was largely due to a rainstorm which swept the district making the country roads impassable. Only six of the eleven Lodges were represented.

The Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Bro. F. C. Hayes, was unable to be present owing to an unfortunate accident. Despite the small attendance all parts of the programme were carried out and Rt. Wor. Bro. Tate's remarks were very well received.

During the intermission between the afternoon and evening sessions a delightful supper was served by the ladies of the O.E.S. I wish to express my thanks and appreciation to the Brethren of the two Weyburn Lodges for making the necessary arrangements for this enjoyable interlude.

At the evening session the Brethren selected Wor. Bro. W. H. Hart as D.D.G.M. elect for District No. 6. Rt. Wor. Bro. Tate gave a very fine address on the duties of the Secretary. A Masonic quiz was conducted under the direction of the Grand Secretary and this proved very entertaining and instructive to the members. Most Wor. Bro. Douglas Fraser gave an inspiring address, choosing as his subject "This Changing World." I wish to extend my sincere thanks to Most Wor. Bro. Fraser for his assistance in the absence of the M.W. the Grand Master.

I visited all of the eleven Lodges once and made several unofficial visits to several of the Lodges. On the occasion of my visit to Yellow Grass Lodge I was accompanied by R.W. Bro. W. Pedersen, D.D.G.M. of District No. 2, and I had the pleasure of attending Milestone Lodge on the occasion of R.W. Bro. Pedersen's official visit. This arrangement proved very enjoyable to both of us. I found the Lodges in this District in a very healthy condition. Every Lodge has received some new members and in most cases has resulted in increased interest and attendance by the members. For some of the Lodges this was the first degree work in several years and it was very pleasing to me to see the loyalty and devotion of the older members finally rewarded. I believe that with a reasonable measure of prosperity in this District that Masonry has a very promising future.

It has been a great pleasure and privilege to have served this District as D.D.G.M. I wish to express my thanks to the Brethren of District No. 6 for the kindness and courtesy extended to me on my visits. I am very grateful to the Secretaries of the Lodges for their co-operation. I wish also to express my thanks to the Grand Secretary for his counsel and assistance so freely given at all times.

To my successor, Wor. Bro. Hart, I extend my best wishes for a pleasant and successful term of office.

Fraternally submitted,
P. C. HILL, D.D.G.M.

DISTRICT No. 7

To the M.W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members
of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.

M.W. Grand Master and Brethren:

I beg to submit herewith my report as District Deputy Grand Master for District No. 7.

The Annual Meeting of District No. 7, A.F. & A.M., was held in the Masonic Hall, North Battleford, on Thursday, the 5th day of July, 1945.

Grand Lodge officers, visiting Brethren and members of Ionic Lodge No. 31 assembled in the Lodge room at 1 p.m. to attend the Funeral and to pay their last respects to the late M.W. Bro. J. W. MacNeill. One hundred and fifteen Brethren signed the Register and were later joined by other members at the church and cemetery.

The District meeting was called to order by R.W. Bro. J. Candline at 4:30 p.m. and labour was suspended at 4:45 p.m. Labour was resumed at 7:30 p.m. with R.W. Bro. J. Candline in the chair. The Grand Master, M.W. Bro. F. C. Hayes and other Grand Lodge Officers were officially welcomed.

The Minutes of the last District meeting were adopted as read. P.D.D.G.M. Bro. Gosling submitted his report as D.D.G.M. for the past year. His report was adopted as read. R.W. Bro. J. McLarty, together with W. Bro. A. E. Blower, and W. Bro. Penn gave a demonstration of the Anteroom preparation with Bro. W. Aird as acting candidate. This was followed by instructive comment by the Grand Secretary and other members. The Grand Secretary then exemplified the Five signs in the M.M. Degree. He then dealt with the calling from Refreshment to Labour at a meeting to attend a Funeral service. One written nomination was received for the office of D.D.G.M. for the ensuing year, V.W. Bro. Smith of Borden Lodge No. 158. All the Lodges of District No. 7 were represented and a recorded vote of 43 members was taken. V.W. Bro. Smith was then declared selected as D.D.G.M. for 1946-47. A very interesting, as well as instructive, quiz was conducted by the Grand Secretary.

R.W. Bro. W. Clink was then presented with the certificate as Deputy Grand Master. R.W. Bro. J. Candline was also presented with his certificate as D.D.G.M., and R.W. Bro. Gosling with the certificate of P.D.D.G.M. R.W. Bro. Gosling was presented by the Grand Master with the Regalia as P.D.D.G.M.

R.W. Bro. Tate gave a very interesting and instructive address, entitled the "Secretary." This was followed by an address by the Grand Master, "The Worshipful Master."

In remembrance of the passing of M.W. Bro. J. W. MacNeill, a moment of silence was observed. R.W. Bro. Clink suggested that the secretary wire congratulations to M.W. Bro. J. McGregor on the occasion of his 80th Birthday. W. Bro. W. W. Hunter was then re-elected District Secretary. It was moved by R.W. Bro. Gosling and seconded by W. Bro. Penn that we again thank Ionic Lodge for the use of their Lodge room. W. Bro. Macdonald then extended to the visiting Brethren an invitation to use Ionic Lodge room for their 1946 Meeting. The District meeting closed in harmony at 10:15 p.m.

As D.D.G.M. of District No. 7 I had the privilege and honour of visiting all the Lodges in the District. It was a wonderful experience and one which will never be effaced from my memory. I enjoyed to the fullest extent the fellowship and the many kindnesses extended to me on all my visitations. I witnessed in all Lodges a great increase in membership and the work in general was of a very high quality. The increase of new members all over the District is remarkable, many of the new members are from the Armed Forces and in many cases are sons of Masons. All the Lodges are in good financial circumstances.

I want to take this opportunity of thanking the Brethren of District No. 7 for the confidence placed in me in selecting me as their D.D.G.M.

I hope that I have performed my allotted task to their satisfaction and I sincerely hope and trust that my successor will receive the same courteous treatment that I have had when he takes upon himself his official duties.

Fraternally submitted,

JOHN CANDLINE, D.D.G.M.

DISTRICT No. 8

To the M.W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members
of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.

M.W. Grand Master and Brethren:

I beg to submit herewith my report as District Deputy Grand Master for District No. 8.

Masonic activities in District 8 for the year 1945-46 got away to a good start at the District Meeting held in Estevan on Thursday, July 19th.

62 Brethren signed the register, but unfortunately three Lodges in the District were not represented. Two Lodges have failed to attend the District Meeting for two successive years, and this fact is reflected in the manner in which their Work is exemplified. I trust that every Lodge will make a determined effort to attend both Grand Lodge and the District Meeting this year.

Due to an unfortunate accident, our Grand Master was unable to be present at the District Meeting, but he sent a very able substitute in the person of our Grand Junior Warden, R. W. Bro. F. C. Wilson. Both R. W. Bro. Wilson and R.W. Bro. Tate, our Grand Secretary, delivered inspiring and thought-provoking addresses. A very pleasant part of the day in Estevan was the Masonic Banquet in the International Hotel. I wish to express my sincere thanks to the Estevan Brethren for the excellent manner in which they discharged their duties as hosts to the Masons of District Eight.

During the year I visited all the Lodges in the District except Border No. 52. Being unable to arrange a mutually satisfactory date for a visit to that Lodge, I arranged for R.W. Bro. C. S. Preston, P.D.D.G.M., to perform that duty for me.

With one exception, all the Lodges in the District have made progress during the year. Many new members have been added to our registers during the year, and knowing many of these new members personally, I am confident that this new blood will prove to be an asset to Masonry.

Due to the unfortunate spacing of the Lodges on the Arcola line, several Lodges are not making the progress that they should. Heward No. 29 has found itself in a very difficult position, situated as it is between New Hope No. 30 and Fillmore No. 163. I have therefore recommended that Heward No. 29 and Fillmore No. 163 amalgamate under the name of Heward No. 29, the Lodge to be located at Fillmore. I have also recommended that when the amalgamation takes place, Heward Brethren living closer to Stoughton than to Fillmore should affiliate with New Hope No. 30.

My year as D.D.G.M. has proved to be an interesting and inspiring experience. Every visit I have paid has been a pleasant one, and I bespeak for my successor the same wholehearted co-operation that was extended to me by the Officers and Brethren of Masonic District Eight.

Fraternally submitted,

D. A. GILLILAND, D.D.G.M.

DISTRICT No. 9

To the M.W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members
of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.

M.W. Grand Master and Brethren:

I beg to submit herewith my report as District Deputy Grand Master for District No. 9.

The District Meeting was held at Whitewood, July 25th, 1945, with 8 of the 12 constituent Lodges represented. Unfortunately, we did not have the

pleasure of the Grand Master's presence, due to illness, but in his stead, we were honoured by a visit from R.W. Bro. Hector Mackay, who addressed the Brethren very impressively. We were also honoured by the presence of the Grand Secretary, who gave a very informative address on "The Lodge Secretary." R.W. Bro. Tate also made invaluable contributions to the day's programme. A novel feature of the 1945 District Meeting was the "Masonic Quiz," which was very favourably received. At the annual election for D.D.G.M., W. Bro. A. Macrone, of Wapella Lodge No. 37, was duly selected for the ensuing year. The success of the District Meeting was largely due to the ready response of the constituent Lodges in assisting with arrangements.

I visited all Lodges of the District at least once. My report on the condition of Masonry in District No. 9 is an optimistic one: none of the Lodges have financial difficulties; a goodly number of young and promising men are joining the Craft; one or two Lodges, which for a time were experiencing some difficulty as a result of small resident membership, seem to be ready to forge ahead again; more inter-visiting of Lodges can be expected with the removal of transportation restrictions; four Lodges have taken definite action in the matter of improving their Lodge quarters. In general, there appears to be renewed "Zeal for the Institution," following the war years.

In the main, I found the officers of the various Lodges enthusiastically capable, and I had the privilege of attending some very inspiring meetings. One unusual feature of a meeting I attended was an Initiation, wherein the Candidate's uncle acted as Worshipful Master and the Candidate's twin brother, as Junior Warden.

A high degree of Masonic good-fellowship is evident in the Lodges of District No. 9, and I appreciate the cordial reception given me by the Brethren of the various Lodges upon the occasion of my visits. I am indebted to R.W. Bro. W. Leslie, of Regina, and to W. Bro. Rainbow, of Rocanville, for their assistance during the course of my tour of visits.

I wish to thank the Grand Master and the Brethren of District No. 9 for the honour and privilege of serving them as D.D.G.M. during the current year.

Fraternally submitted,

D. F. MACKAY, D.D.G.M.

DISTRICT No. 10

To the M.W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members
of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.

M.W. Grand Master and Brethren:

I beg to submit herewith my report as District Deputy Grand Master for District No. 10.

The District Meeting was held at Canora on July 23rd, 1945, ten of the twelve Lodges in the District being represented. 57 Brethren signed the Register.

The Meeting was opened at 3:15 p.m. and the following Grand Lodge Officers entered the Lodge: R.W. Bro. H. Mackay, Grand Senior Warden, representing the Grand Master; R.W. Bro. Robert A. Tate, Grand Secretary; V.W. Bro. Saunders, Grand Steward. They were introduced by R.W. Bro. T. R. Luke. Upon taking his place in the East, R.W. Bro. Mackay explained that due to a serious accident the Grand Master was unable to be present. This, he stated with sincere regret. He also stated that he had been called upon to represent the Grand Master at the meeting.

R.W. Bro. Mackay, on behalf of the Grand Master, gave a very timely address on the subject, "One of the Challenges of Masonry." The Grand

Secretary gave an interesting and instructive address on the subject, "The Lodge Secretary," stressing the importance of giving serious consideration to the qualifications necessary when selecting a Lodge Secretary.

I visited all Lodges in the District except one. I found a good spirit of Fellowship amongst the Brethren in all Lodges. I found the Lodges in a healthy condition, fairly well attended, capable officers, and good interest taken in the work, the Lodges being financially sound and a large number of new members being initiated in the District.

It has been a great privilege and pleasure to have had the opportunity of visiting the Lodges in the District as D.D.G.M. I wish to thank the Brethren for the kindly welcome and kind hospitality extended to me by all Lodges. It has been a great inspiration and I shall always cherish fond memories of the pleasant associations. I wish to thank the Brethren of the District for their kind co-operation and wish them every success, and I trust the same consideration will be extended to my successor.

Fraternally submitted,
JOSEPH JIRA, D.D.G.M.

DISTRICT No. 11

To the M.W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members
of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.

M.W. Grand Master and Brethren:

I beg to submit herewith my report as District Deputy Grand Master for District No. 11.

The District Meeting was held in the Masonic Temple at Swift Current on July 16, 1945. Lodge opened at 2·10 p.m., 50 members signing the register; two Lodges were not registered.

Our M.W. Grand Master, a few hours before the meeting, had the misfortune to fall and break his arm and on the suggestion of the R.W Bro. Robt. A. Tate, Grand Secretary, all introduction and Grand Honours were dispensed with.

The Board of Installed Masters was opened by the Officers of Cabri Lodge who also held office for the afternoon session, exemplifying the work of installing Master, Ante-room preparation, circumambulation E. A. Degree, and calling from labour to refreshment. The Worshipful Master from Sceptre Lodge, W. Bro. Trew, exemplified the five signs in the M.M. Degree.

At the evening session all Officers were from Swift Current Lodge. They also exemplified the opening and closing. R.W. Bro. Tate gave a very interesting quiz contest and also gave a talk on the necessity of a good Secretary. Bro. Geo. E. Robins, Editor for the Tracing Board, in the absence of the M.W. Grand Master, gave a very inspiring address on Masonry.

R.W. Bro. McPhail, having served as Secretary of District No. 11 for 25 years, resigned his office. I am sure we regret R.W. Bro. McPhail leaving office, but hope that his health improves and that he will be with us for many years to come. W. Bro. A. J. Wigmore was elected District Secretary for District No. 11.

The selection of D.D.G.M. for the year 1946-47 was proceeded with and W. Bro. Allan McIntosh, of Swift Current Lodge No. 26, was selected. In the absence of the M.W. Grand Master, R.W. Bro. Tate, Grand Secretary, asked the necessary questions from W. Bro. McIntosh for recommendation to the Grand Master for appointment as D.D.G.M. for District No. 11.

I am pleased to be able to report good progress in this District, most Lodges are receiving new members, particularly Herbert Lodge. I have, during my term of office, had the privilege of visiting all the Lodges in this District and I strongly recommended to all the Lodges the necessity of a good Library and a more extensive use of the books on hand. I have found harmony and good fellowship in all the Lodges except one and I hope that they will be able to adjust their grievances in the near future.

And finally, I wish to thank the Brethren throughout the district for their courteous treatment during my visits and I feel that the friendship formed will grow sweeter and stronger in the years to come.

Fraternally submitted,
CHARLES N. E. MEDFORTH, D.D.G.M.

DISTRICT No. 12

To the M.W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members
of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.

M.W. Grand Master and Brethren:

I beg to submit herewith my report as District Deputy Grand Master for District No. 12.

The District Meeting was held in Rosetown on July 3rd, 1945, when 75 Brethren of the District signed the register. Eight out of the nine Lodges of the District were represented. This might be considered a good attendance, except that so few of the principal officers of the Lodges were present. Only two Junior Wardens, three Senior Wardens and six Worshipful Masters were with us. District Meetings are recognized as our best school of instruction, and Lodge Officers (especially chair officers) lose a real opportunity to receive those necessary instructions, when they fail to attend these District Meetings.

I wish to take this opportunity to thank all the Brethren who so willingly assisted in the exemplifications that were required in the afternoon session; also to R.W. Bro. Tate who so kindly and tactfully reviewed them, drawing attention to any errors and giving instruction on how the work should be carried out, so as to keep it as uniform as possible throughout the province. The afternoon session adjourned at 4:50 p.m. and the Brethren enjoyed a delightful dinner served by the ladies of the Anglican Church.

The first order of business at the evening session was the selection of a D.D.G.M. for the year 1946-47. Two nominations were submitted, V.W. Bro. Walker of Elrose Lodge and Wor. Bro. McAlister of Eston Lodge. A ballot being taken, the M.W. the Grand Master declared V.W. Bro. Walker selected D.D.G.M., at the pleasure of the Grand Master.

The Grand Secretary's address "The Lodge Secretary" and the Grand Master's address "The Privileges and Opportunities that Masonry offers," were outstanding in the information they obtained, and both were greatly enjoyed by the Brethren. The Masonic Quiz was something new in district meeting, but it proved so interesting and educational that I am certain most of the Brethren would like to see it become a regular feature.

We were pleased to have with us R.W. Bro. Mann, D.D.G.M., District No. 5, who in a few well chosen words expressed his pleasure at being with us and enjoying our meeting.

It is with the deepest sorrow and regret, that we are called upon to report the death of our District Secretary, Wor. Bro. Ray Parker, of Eston Lodge. He was called to the Grand Lodge Above on the morning of January 22nd. We extend our sincere sympathy to his wife and daughter, and also to the Brethren of Eston Lodge, where Wor. Bro. Parker has been an active member for many years.

I visited each Lodge in the District once officially and some of them on other occasions. I am pleased to be able to report that Masonry in District No. 12 is in a very healthy condition. It was an inspiration to me to see so much activity and splendid harmony. Every Lodge is in a sound financial condition, with arrears of dues slightly lower than for the previous year, and a very small increase in the average attendance. All Lodges are receiving new members and the work is being well done. I also found a real spirit of Masonry active in every Lodge, perhaps in some more than others. Such could usually be credited to the leadership the Worshipful Master is able to give to his Lodge. I believe if Worshipful Masters would do more planning for their meetings, and endeavor at each to have at least a few minutes devoted to Masonic Education, we would enjoy a better average attendance, and would see the lessons of Spiritual and Moral values bearing fruit in the lives of our members and in the communities in which they serve.

It is also a pleasure to note that so many of the boys are arriving home from the Services, and a number of them are taking their rightful places in our Lodges. We extend to them a hearty welcome.

Zealandia Brethren were kind enough to invite me to attend the Father and Son social evening sponsored by Zealandia and Sovereign Lodges, and held this year in Zealandia Lodge Room. This was a very enjoyable as well as a profitable evening to all the Brethren who attended, as well as to their sons who spent the evening with them. All Lodges I believe would do well to consider arranging such an evening for their sons and the young men of their community.

In conclusion I wish to express my sincere appreciation to the Brethren of District No. 12 for the opportunity you have given me to serve you in this high office, and for the splendid courtesy extended to me on my visits; also to the Grand Secretary for his help and guidance and to the Lodge Secretaries and Worshipful Masters, and to all the Brethren who accompanied and assisted me on my official visits. Especially do I wish to thank R.W. Bro. Edgar who assisted me at every visit except one, and R.W. Bro. McDougald, R.W. Bro. McFaull, V.W. Bro. Walker, D.D.G.M. select and V.W. Bro. Conlin, who assisted me at several meetings. Also to all the Brethren who took such an interest and gave me such valuable assistance in bringing before the Lodges of the District the importance of understanding better our Masonic Funeral Ceremony. I would ask for my successor the same kindly reception and whole-hearted co-operation that has been extended to me.

Fraternally submitted,

D. A. McMILLAN, D.D.G.M.

DISTRICT No. 13

To the M.W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members
of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.

M.W. Grand Master and Brethren:

I beg to submit herewith my report as District Deputy Grand Master for District No. 13.

The District Meeting was held in Unity on July 4th, 1945. Owing to very heavy rains over the District three of the Lodges in the southern part were not represented. However, there was an attendance of 62, which speaks well for the interest in Masonry in District No. 13.

M.W. Bro. F. C. Hayes, Grand Master, and R.W. Bro. Robt. A. Tate, Grand Secretary, were introduced by R.W. Bros. A. M. Bell and J. M. Scott.

The Officers of Kilwinning Lodge No. 74 exemplified the first part of the First Degree. The Grand Secretary gave the proper wording of the penalties

in the three degrees. Calling from Labor to refreshment and vice versa was exemplified by W. Bro. Taylor of Gothic Lodge No. 105.

At the evening session the Grand Secretary delivered an address stressing the attitude of the Lodges towards the youth in the community, which was very well received. Another instructive item was a quiz on the First Degree and the Constitution. The M.W. the Grand Master gave a very instructive and inspiring address on the Worshipful Master's duties, stressing particularly our attitude towards returning men. W. Bro. F. H. Stephens of Meridian Lodge No. 83 was selected D.D.G.M. for the ensuing term and in a few well-chosen words thanked the Brethren for the honour conferred upon him.

I have visited all twelve Lodges in District No. 13 and found each and every one of them doing their work well, in fact, the greater percentage were doing the work exceptionally well. Many of the Lodges were conferring degrees on the night of my official visit, while the others had either just raised or were to initiate some in the near future. It was an inspiration to me and the Brethren accompanying me to see such activity in all the Lodges, also the harmony and Masonic spirit which prevailed amongst all the Brethren and I would say that Masonry in District No. 13 is in a very healthy and prosperous condition. Every Lodge is in a very healthy condition financially, although three or four seem to have too much in arrears of dues.

I had the privilege and pleasure of being guest speaker at a Father and Son banquet held by Meridian Lodge, Macklin. A very pleasant and enjoyable evening was spent and I would like to recommend to each Lodge in District No. 13 that they institute a Father and Son banquet, because of the possibilities of furthering Masonry and the spirit thereof.

Unity Lodge No. 73 has instituted the custom of having supper at 6:30 p.m. on Lodge night when they invite four or five young men, who have recently been discharged from the services. These young men are asked to give a few of their experiences or their personal views of conditions as they find them or would like them to be. This has also proved very pleasant and profitable to both the boys and ourselves.

I am deeply grateful to the Brethren of District No. 13 for giving me the privilege and the honour of serving them as D.D.G.M. and I would take this opportunity to thank the Worshipful Masters, Secretaries and Brethren for all the courtesies extended to me on my official visits or when I required special information. I shall cherish many pleasant memories of my year as D.D.G.M. of District No. 13.

Fraternally submitted,

JAS. PARK, D.D.G.M.

DISTRICT No. 14

To the M.W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members
of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.

M.W. Grand Master and Brethren:

I beg to submit herewith my report as District Deputy Grand Master for District No. 14.

The District Meeting was held at Woodrow on July 17th and was well attended, there being 87 Brethren present.

Following the Board of Installed Masters, the District Meeting was opened, and R.W. Bro. R. A. Tate, the Grand Secretary, was given the Grand Honors.

The District Meeting heard with much regret of the accident which the Grand Master had suffered, and which made it impossible for him to be present. However, his son, Lieut. W. P. Hayes of the R.C.N., met with the members of Lodge and other friends at the close of the evening session of the

District Meeting, and gave a most vivid description of his experiences on board H.M.C.S. "Iroquois." Lieut. Hayes was warmly thanked by the audience, and asked to convey to his distinguished father their regret that he was unable to be present.

Brethren of the Kincaid Lodge during the afternoon session exemplified the preparation and reception of a candidate in the First Degree, and this was followed by constructive criticism and comment by the Grand Secretary.

At the evening session W. Bro. T. Williams of Meyronne Lodge was chosen as D.D.G.M. select. The Grand Secretary gave a most interesting and informative address on "The Lodge Secretary," which was much appreciated by the Brethren. R.W. Bro. G. W. Eisnor was re-elected as District Secretary.

During the year I have visited all the Lodges in the District, and have at times been accompanied by skilled Brethren from my own Lodge. The cordiality that has been shown me on every occasion has been much appreciated. With but few exceptions, all the Lodges are in a thriving condition, and an excellent spirit of Masonry exists in the District. The future holds promise of real progress in the Masonic art.

The Lodges have come through the war years with a deepened sense of responsibility, and the many candidates who are seeking to be admitted to our portals are of the type that will both receive from and give much to the Fraternity. Officers were for the most part well-skilled, and in nearly every Lodge I witnessed the putting on of degrees in a creditable way. Average attendances are commendable and the finances of Lodges good. Despite a meagre crop last Fall, the number of members in arrears is not above the average.

On November 19th, 1945, I officiated at the institution of Glentworth Lodge U.D., and I feel sure that the outlook for Masonry in that community is very bright.

I am grateful to my Brethren who entrusted to me this high office. My experience in visiting the Lodges of the District and in meeting the Brethren has both enriched my own knowledge, and given me a deeper appreciation of the value of Masonry.

Fraternally submitted,

W. S. McMILLAN, D.D.G.M.

DISTRICT No. 15

To the M.W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members
of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.

M.W. Grand Master and Brethren:

I beg to submit herewith my report as District Deputy Grand Master for District No. 15.

The Annual Meeting of District No. 15 was held at Elfros, July 9th, 1945, eight Lodges of the District being represented with forty members present.

The Lodge was opened in the Three Degrees of Masonry and closed to the Second Degree by Elfros Lodge, after which Dedication of the Elfros Lodge No. 145 Temple was proceeded with. This ceremony was very impressive and was performed by the M.W. The Grand Master, Brother F. C. Hayes, ably assisted by the Officers and members of the Grand Lodge.

The District meeting opened at 3:30 p.m. when W. Bro. Brand of Wynyard Lodge No. 66 introduced M.W. Bro. Hayes, Grand Master, who was accompanied by R.W. Bro. R. A. Tate, Grand Secretary.

R.W. Bro. H. J. B. Pendlebury, P.D.D.G.M., presented his report for the last year. Exemplification of Ante-room procedure and E. A. Degree work was given by Elfros Lodge No. 145, followed by comments and criticism by the Grand Secretary, who also answered several questions on this work in his

usual concise manner. The Grand Secretary himself exemplified the 5-S of the M.M. Degree and also repeated the Obligation of the Degree.

The meeting adjourned at 5:15 p.m. and we were the guests of Elfros Lodge to a cold luncheon which was greatly enjoyed by those present.

On my visits to the several Lodges in the District, in my remarks I stressed the necessity of every member being present at every meeting as it is by attending meetings regularly, that you have the happy privilege of contributing to or receiving benefits of Masonry.

The harmony of the Masons and Lodges to each other is just one hundred per cent. This made it pleasant for their D.D.G M. and it was a great pleasure for me to meet the Brethren. My reception at each and every Lodge was most courteous and happy. So far I have visited all Lodges in the District, except Kelvington No. 179, the reason for which is they have been dormant for some time but have now started up again. I will try and visit them shortly, possibly May 9th. They now have three new candidates, which is very promising and is also giving them encouragement.

I am pleased to report that Masonry as a whole is in a very healthy condition in most of District 15. The membership has increased at least by fifty members in the calendar year 1945, and I expect the increase for 1946 will be even greater now that hostilities have ceased. I would also like to pay tribute to Wynyard Lodge No. 66 and Quill Lake Lodge No. 169 for having no members in arrears of dues. All Lodges in District No. 15 are in a very healthy financial condition.

I was very much gratified and honored by the privilege afforded me by the M.W. The Grand Master in appointing me as his Deputy for the purpose of instituting a new Lodge at Rose Valley on the 25th of April. It was a great pleasure indeed. There were a large number of representatives present, ten Lodges being represented with seventy-four Brethren present. I here want to pay tribute to the Officers of Rose Valley Lodge for the splendid manner in which they performed their duties in the opening and closing. I had the able assistance of R.W. Bro. W. T. Potts, R. W. Bro. Nicholson and W. Bro. D. Guest in the performing of the Instituting Ceremony.

My compliments and thanks go to all Lodge Secretaries for their co-operation and their prompt sending of notice of meetings. In conclusion I wish to express to the members of the Lodges in District No. 15 my appreciation of the honor they bestowed upon me and the privilege of serving as D.D.G.M. It has been a great pleasure to me and has widened my knowledge of what Masonry is and I do appreciate the very many pleasant courtesies extended to me on my visits. I trust the same support will be given to my successor in office, W. Bro. J. J. Bole, when he takes over the position.

I also wish to sincerely thank the Grand Secretary and his office for their kindness and co-operation and feel some slight regret that my year in this very pleasant task has been completed.

Fraternally submitted,

A. FAUST, D.D.G.M.

DISTRICT No. 16

To the M.W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members
of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.

M.W Grand Master and Brethren:

I beg to submit herewith my report as District Deputy Grand Master for District No. 16.

The District Meeting was held in the Chalet at Manitou Beach, Watrous, on Tuesday, July 10 A.D. 1945, A.L. 5945. Seventy-two Brethren, including

the Grand Lodge Officers, signed the register. The meeting was attended by the following Grand Lodge Officers: The Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Bro. F. C. Hayes; Grand Secretary, Right Worshipful Brother R. A. Tate; Past Grand Master, Most Worshipful Brother J. O. Clarke; Grand Steward, Very Worshipful Bro. E. A. Mayo.

The meeting opened in the prescribed form at 2:30 p.m. The Grand Lodge Officers were received in due form and Grand Honours given them, Right Worshipful Bro. G. H. Hummel of Philathea Lodge acting as Director of Ceremonies. The M.W. the Grand Master thanked the Brethren for their hearty welcome and instructed the D.D.G.M. to carry out the program arranged. As the time was limited I gave a short welcome and made my plea for the co-operation of all the Lodges in District No. 16. Exemplification of receiving a candidate was put on, the necessary questions being put to the candidate by R.W. Bro. J. N. Smith. After the candidate was examined the Grand Secretary explained the proper way to prepare a candidate. The Grand Secretary paid high tribute to the District Secretary, W. Bro. L. L. Lymburner, for his faithful work in District No. 16. At the evening meeting W. Bro. L. L. Lymburner of Philathea Lodge No. 133 was duly declared selected as D.D.G.M. for the ensuing year. The Grand Secretary conducted a quiz program relating to the work in the First Degree and the Constitution, which was very interesting and instructive.

The District consists of eleven Lodges, all of which I visited officially once and some nearer home oftener. The Brethren of the various Lodges gave me a hearty welcome and I enjoyed the meetings and the work. I found that all Lodges were getting their quota of new members and also noted that a great number of them are returned men and are of the best quality of manhood. I am pleased to see that so many of the older members, who were suspended through no fault of their own, are being reinstated and coming back into our midst.

Serving Grand Lodge in District No. 16 has been a great pleasure to me and if I have done no good I sincerely hope I have done no harm.

Fraternally submitted,

E. C. HOLLIS, D.D.G.M.

DISTRICT No. 17

To the M.W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members
of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.

M.W. Grand Master and Brethren:

I beg to submit herewith my report as District Deputy Grand Master for District No. 17.

I visited each Lodge in the District officially once and several of the Lodges unofficially. I promised to again visit some of the other Lodges at a later date, and I fully intend to fulfil this promise. I was very cordially welcomed to all the Lodges and enjoyed the meetings immensely. All the Lodges in the District are, in my opinion, upholding the dignity of the Institution and with but one or two exceptions, are making good progress. Elbow View Lodge has moved to Loreburn and with a new slate of officers has added to its members both by affiliations and initiations. On my official visit to Conquest Lodge, four members of Conquest Lodge and one member of Outlook Lodge were passed to the Second Degree, some of the officers of Outlook Lodge assisting in the ceremony. At Lucky Lake Lodge one member was passed to the second degree; two applications for initiation were accepted by ballot; one application was deferred as the committee felt they had not fully completed the inquiries (this decision I highly commended) and four applications for initiation were received. I regret to state that W. Bro. Baker

Pomeroy of Riverhurst was called to the Grand Lodge Above rather suddenly. He will be much missed by the members of Riverhurst Lodge, as well as by the members of some of the neighbouring lodges at whose meetings he was a frequent visitor.

The District Meeting was held at Lucky Lake on 13th July 1945. The attendance was not as large as usual, owing no doubt, to the mileage to be travelled by members of the Lodges on the east side of the river. M.W. Bro. F. C. Haves, Grand Master, R.W. Bro. Robt. A. Tate, Grand Secretary, and V. W. Bro. Thornton, Grand Senior Deacon, were introduced and were accorded Grand Honours. Among those in attendance were M.W. Bro. J. C. Carter, P.G.M.; R.W. Bro. A. C. Coulter, R. W. Bro. J. V. Greer, R.W. Bro. W. Leith, and R.W. Bro. McFaull, Past D.D.G.M.s, and R.W. Bro. D. A. McMillan, D.D.G.M. of District No. 12. The Masonic Quiz conducted by the Grand Secretary with M.W. Bro. Carter and R.W. Bro. Leith as team captains was very much enjoyed. It was not only refreshing and instructive but at times highly amusing. W. Bro. Rudd, Riverhurst Lodge, was selected as D.D.G.M. for the year 1946-47, subject to the approval of the Grand Master

I had much pleasure during the year in presenting several Past Master certificates and a few Master Mason certificates. If zeal and assiduity are essential to success there is no cause for alarm so far as District No. 17 is concerned. It was highly gratifying to meet and renew acquaintances with many old friends and to be so kindly received by the members of all Lodges in the District.

I wish to express my sincere thanks to the Brethren of District No. 17 for electing me to the office of D.D.G.M., thereby giving me the opportunity to be of some service to the Institution. I trust the same brotherly kindness may be extended to my successor. Wishing all the Lodges in the District the highest measure of success in the future.

Fraternally submitted,
H. T. KELLY, D.D.G.M.

Thanks to the D.D.G.M.s

The Most Worshipful the Grand Master addressed the D.D.G.M.s as follows:

"I wish to take this opportunity to thank my D.D.G.M.'s for the splendid work you have done during the past year. Your office requires the sacrifice of considerable time, as well as attention to detail of every Lodge in the Province. The scheme under which Grand Lodge functions could not be administered without your assistance. You can feel that you have made a substantial contribution to Masonry and I thank each of you sincerely for your assistance.

Report of Committee on Finance

R.W. Bro. F. C. Wilson submitted the report of the Committee on Finance, which, on motion of R.W. Bros. F. C. Wilson and A. C. Garner, was received and adopted as follows:

To the M.W. the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.

Brethren:

We submit our report for the Financial Year ended March 31, 1946, with the estimated Receipts and Expenditures for the year 1946-47.

The Auditor for Grand Lodge reports that the records of the Grand Treasurer and the Grand Secretary are in order and your Committee, after

examination of these reports, recommend the same for adoption of Grand Lodge.

Your Committee decided that, with improved revenues, the time was opportune to replace, in part at least, the Bonds which it had been necessary to dispose of during the difficult years. We therefore authorized the purchase of a $1,000.00 Bond of the Ninth Victory Loan.

The Committee on Printing and Supplies purchased some new office equipment and replaced some badly worn Grand Lodge Regalia. The amount so expended was taken care of from the special reserve set up for that purpose by Grand Lodge last year. Considerable expense is still necessary in this respect and we have set up a reserve of $1,000.00.

The Committee on Printing and Supplies authorized a reprint of the Constitution. This new issue of the Constitution will be placed in stock and the funds of Grand Lodge be re-imbursed from sales for the expenditure made in connection therewith. In view of this, we have not included this expenditure in our estimates although it may affect our estimated cash surplus for this year.

Your Committee sold $12,000.00, Province of Saskatchewan, 4%, 1957, Bonds and purchased in place thereof the following Bonds:

$10,500.00, Province of Saskatchewan, 4%, 1955-60,
500.00, Province of Saskatchewan, 4%, 1958,
1,000.00, Province of Saskatchewan, 4%, 1960,
1,000.00, Province of Saskatchewan, 4½%, 1957.

We were able to make this advantageous exchange as a result of the $12,000.00 which we sold being New York payment.

The estimated Receipts and Expenditures for the year 1946-47 are as follows:

RECEIPTS:

	1945 Estimated	1945 Actual	1946 Estimated
Membership Fees,	$ 9,600.00	$10,133.90	$10,200.00
Initiation Fees,	4,000.00	4,112.00	4,000.00
Affiliation Fees,	175.00	215.00	200.00
Commuted Life Membership Fees,	525.00	606.20	525.00
Past Master and Other Certificates,	200.00	206.00	200.00
Dispensations,	250.00	413.00	300.00
Sale of Supplies,	750.00	1,013.40	750.00
Interest on Bonds,	860.00	955.85	955.85
Benevolent Fund Grant,	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Arrears collected,		73.60	
Fees paid in advance,		.40	
Bond Exchange,		33.00	
	$17,360.00	$18,762.35	$18,130.85

EXPENDITURES:

SALARIES AND HONORARIA:

Grand Secretary,	$ 3,180.00	$ 3,180.00	$ 3,300.00
Grand Treasurer,	200.00	200.00	200.00
Grand Tyler,	15.00	15.00	15.00
Stenographer,	1,260.00	1,260.00	1,380.00
Office Assistance,	780.00	710.50	960.00
Stenographer, Grand Lodge,	10.00	10.00	10.00
Auditor,	250.00	250.00	250 00
Committee on Foreign Correspondence	200.00	200.00	200.00
	$ 5,895.00	$ 5,825.50	$ 6,315.00

	1945 Estimated	1945 Actual	1946 Estimated
Honourary Grand Secretary, Retiring Allowance	$ 1,200.00	$ 1,200.00	$ 1,200.00
TRAVELLING EXPENSES:			
D.D.G.M's,	$ 1,000.00	$ 633.03	$ 1,200.00
Grand Master,	500.00	498.51	750.00
Grand Secretary	500.00	498.66	750.00
Board of General Purposes,	750.00	855.57	750.00
General Travelling Expenses	150.00	133.32	300.00
Conference of Western Grand Lodges,	300.00	289.30	300.00
	$ 3,200.00	$ 2,908.39	$ 4,050.00
MISCELLANEOUS:			
Office Rent,	$ 1,080.00	$ 1,080.00	$ 1,380.00
Unemployment Insurance,	15.00	24.32	25.00
Printing Proceedings,	600.00	731.21	750.00
Stationery and Office Incidentals,	650.00	723.64	725.00
Safety Deposit Box,	5.00	5.00	5.00
Postage and Excise,	750.00	720.57	750.00
Post Office Box Rental,	8.00	8.00	8.00
Relief,	200.00	125.00	200.00
Superannuation, Grand Secretary,	561.60	561.60	561.60
Grand Master's Regalia,	246.00	245.16	250.00
General Expense,	425.00	375.24	400.00
Grand Lodge Expense,	175.00	374.19	350.00
Regalia and Office Equipment,		1,247.97	
Bond Purchased,		1,000.00	
	$ 4,715.60	$ 7,221.90	$ 5,404.60
TOTAL EXPENDITURES:	$ 5,895.00	$ 5,825.50	$ 6,315.00
	1,200.00	1,200.00	1,200.00
	3,200.00	2,908.39	4,050.00
	4,715.60	7,221.90	5,404.60
	$15,010.60	$17,155.79	$16,969.60

Cash on hand and in bank at beginning of year,	$ 6,042.90	
Cash on hand and in bank at end of year,	7,649.46	
Cash Increase,	$ 1,606.56	
Estimated Receipts,		$18,130.85
Estimated Expenditures,	$16,969.60	
Reserve for office equipment and regalia,	1,000.00	
		$17,969.60
Estimated surplus on year's operations,		$ 161,25

Fraternally submitted,

FRED C. WILSON, Chairman.

Report of Committee on Foreign Correspondence

M.W. Bro. W. M. Martin presented the report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, which, on motion of M.W. Bros. W. M. Martin and R. Young, was received and together with the reviews of the Proceedings of Sister Jurisdictions, ordered printed in the Proceedings.

Report of Committee on Grievances and Appeals

R.W. Bro. W. L. Clink presented the report of the Committee on Grievances and Appeals which, on motion of R.W. Bros. W. L. Clink and H. Mackay, was received and adopted as follows:

To the M.W. the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.

Brethren:

We, your Committee on Grievances and Appeals, beg to report that two matters have come before us:

1. Re: R.W. Bro. A. G. R., Qu'Appelle Lodge No. 6.

This Brother was convicted, after a plea of guilty, of unmasonic conduct on the 20th day of December, A.D. 1945 and was indefinitely suspended. Your Committee finds all proceedings in order and the Constitution fully complied with and recommend that the action and sentence of the Lodge be confirmed.

2. Re· Bro. T. N., Swift Current Lodge No. 26.

This Brother was convicted of unmasonic conduct at a Masonic trial on June 11th, 1946 and appeals to this Grand Lodge. Your Committee finds that the ten-day period before the meeting of this Grand Lodge was not available and recommends that it be referred to the incoming Grand Master for action.

Fraternally submitted,

W. L. CLINK, Chairman.

Report of Committee on Masonic Relief and Charity

R.W. Bro. A. S. Pipes presented the report of the Committee on Masonic Relief and Charity, which on motion of R.W. Bros. A. S. Pipes and H. Mackay, was received and adopted as follows:

To the M.W. the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.

Brethren:

Your Committee on Masonic Relief and Charity beg to submit herewith the following report for the past year:

We received requests from Tugaske Lodge No. 78, Leader Lodge No. 142 and York Lodge No. 157, Churchbridge, for assistance in defraying the funeral expenses of worthy Brethren.

Your Committee recommended the following grants, which were paid: Tugaske Lodge $50.00; Leader Lodge $75.00; York Lodge $75.00.

Fraternally submitted,

A. S. PIPES, Chairman.

Report of Committee on Charters

M.W. Bro. J. C. Carter presented the report of the Committee on Charters which, on motion of M.W. Bros. J. C. Carter and M. Musk, was received and adopted as follows·

To the M.W. the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.

Brethren:

The Committee on Charters beg to report as follows:

A Dispensation was issued to the Brethren at Glentworth dated October 20th, 1945. Fifteen Brethren signed the petition for the formation of a new Lodge. The Lodge was instituted November 19th, 1945. The Committee have examined the Dispensation, books and records of Glentworth Lodge and recommend that a Charter be issued. Attention of the Secretary should be drawn to the fact that the Secretary's Receipts and Expenditure book is not kept in a satisfactory manner. All items should be shown definitely as to what each item refers to. Cash items should not be combined but shown separately.

A Dispensation was issued to the Brethren at Rose Valley, dated March 22nd, 1946. The Lodge was instituted April 15th, 1946. In the opinion of this Committee the Lodge should be continued under Dispensation until the next Annual Communication of Grand Lodge.

A Petition was filed by fifteen Brethren at Meadow Lake for the institution of a Lodge and a Dispensation was issued dated May 15th, 1946. The Lodge was instituted May 30th, 1946. The Dispensation, Minute Book of the Lodge have been examined. Other books and records have not been received by the Committee for examination. The Committee therefore recommend that the Dispensation be continued until the next Annual Communication of Grand Lodge.

Fraternally submitted,

J. C. CARTER, Chairman.

Report of Committee on Library

M.W. Bro. J. C. Carter presented the report of the Committee on Library, which on motion of M.W. Bros. J. C. Carter and R. Young, was receivedand adopted as follows:

To the M.W. the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.

Brethren:

The Committee on Library beg to report that we have examined the Grand Lodge Library and find same in good condition. The cases and equipment are inadequate to accommodate the Library.

The historical relics, jewels, etc. that have been donated or loaned to Grand Lodge, could be displayed to greater advantage and as we hope for further additions to be made from time to time, this will receive the consideration of your Committee.

Many of the Jewels in this collection are of great age and of very beautiful design. We hope the Brethren will avail themselves of the opportunity of viewing this collection. We recommend that some mark of identification be attached to each of these exhibits.

The question of a Circulating Library has been called to our attention. We feel that a Library of this nature would be of great assistance to the Lodges and we feel that the time has arrived when the Grand Lodge should provide a service of this nature, but at the moment we have neither the facilities nor the space in the Grand Lodge office, to embark on such an

undertaking. We recommend that this important matter be kept in mind and further considered by your Committee on Grand Lodge Library, and that communication be made with other Jurisdictions possessing such a Library and ideas obtained as to the methods adopted in giving proper service and regulating the issue of Masonic Publications to Lodges requiring such Publications.

Fraternally submitted,

J. C. CARTER, Chairman.

Report of Board of Custodians

M.W. Bro. W. B. Tate presented the report of the Board of Custodians which, on motion of M.W. Bros. W. B. Tate and N. R. Craig, was received and adopted as follows:

To the M.W. the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.

Brethren:

The Custodians of the Work beg to submit the following report:

Owing to the lamented death of the Chairman, M.W. Bro. J. W. MacNeill, I, as the second named member of the Board, called a meeting on May 29th, 1946, in the Grand Lodge Board Room at Regina. At this meeting I was elected Chairman for the balance of the year.

The Ceremonies of Opening and Closing Grand Lodge and of the Installation and Investiture of Grand Lodge Officers were revised.

The Board also considered a number of questions relative to the work that had been submitted by Lodges and individual Brethren. The decisions of the Custodians have been recorded by the Grand Secretary and will be communicated to the Constituent Lodges throughout the Jurisdiction at the District Meetings.

Fraternally submitted,

W. B. TATE, Chairman.

Report of Committee on Printing and Supplies

V.W. Bro. E. C. Bird presented the report of the Committee on Printing and Supplies which, on motion of V.W. Bro. E. C. Bird and R. W. Bro. A. C. Garner, was received and adopted as follows.

To the M.W. the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.

Brethren:

All the necessary printing and supplies required for the work in the office of Grand Lodge have been procured.

During the year your Committee authorized the purchase of fluorescent lights for the Grand Lodge office. The old lighting system was quite inadequate. The new lights remain the property of Grand Lodge.

A card system for the recording of all Saskatchewan Masons was instituted in Grand Lodge office during the year, same having been approved by your Committee. When completed this will be of great value for the purpose of reference.

It was necessary to order a further supply of Constitutions as the number on hand were not sufficient to take care of our needs up to the end of May this year. Tenders were received from three firms, the lowest tender being approved by your Committee.

Tenders for the printing of the Grand Lodge Proceedings for 1946 were received from three firms, the work being awarded by your Committee to the lowest tenderer.

A the last Annual Communication of Grand Lodge provision was made to supply each constituent Lodge, once every three years, with a printed list of all Regular Lodges, at the expense of Grand Lodge. These lists are now in the hands of the Lodges.

Respectfully submitted,

E. CULLUM BIRD, Chairman.

Report of Committee on the Tracing Board

Bro. George E. Robins (Editor) presented the report of the Editorial Committee on "The Tracing Board", which, on motion of M.W. Bro. D. Fraser and R.W. Bro. A. C. Garner, was received and adopted as follows:

To the M.W. the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.

Brethren:

The Editorial Committee of the Tracing Board begs to submit its Fourth Report. The continued success of the venture, launched in March 1943, has been made possible by the splendid support received from practically the complete membership of the Constituent Lodges.

The Bulletin has endeavored to live up to its name by laying lines and drawing designs for the guidance of Craftsmen. Not only is it a **plan of work** but reveals **the working of the plan** of Masonry, commencing with the individual and extending to the boundaries of the world.

Forty issues have been published during the forty months of its existence. Those who have kept their copies on file possess a record of Masonic activities, sources of information for Craft study, material for addresses, suggestions for discussions, reports of conferences, quiz programs, editorials, messages from the Grand Masters, instructions from the Grand Secretary, poems and paragraphs that can be used effectively on various occasions, interesting references to local Lodges and members, together with other features.

Your Committee feels that this growing storehouse of information about Freemasonry and the inspiration to make our Order more effective in a world where so much confusion exists, should be in the possession of every member of the Jurisdiction. The total cost of the forty issues already published has amounted to only fifty cents per member. There is no Lodge that cannot afford to invest such a small amount for its members, and your committee is convinced that no individual Freemason can afford to be without it.

So let every member receive a copy, read it regularly and carefully, and file it for reference.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE E. ROBINS, Editor.

The hour having arrived for adjournment, the Grand Master called the Craft from labou- to refreshment.

THE FIRST DAY — AFTERNOON SESSION

Grand Lodge resumed labour at 1:30 p.m., M.W. Bro. F. C. Hayes, Grand Master, on the Throne; Grand Officers, Members and Representatives present.

Reception Grand Representatives

The Grand Representatives of Sister Grand Jurisdictions near the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, assembled in the approaches to Grand Lodge.

The Representatives of the Grand Lodges in the British Commonwealth of Nations were escorted into Grand Lodge and individually announced by the Grand Director of Ceremonies. Bro. Cpl. C. F. Gilhespy, Royal Canadian Mounted Police, presented the Union Jack and the Brethren joined in singing "Land of Hope and Glory."

The Representatives of the Grand Lodges in the United States were escorted into Grand Lodge and individually announced by the Grand Director of Ceremonies. Bro. S/Sgt. D. J. McCombe, Royal Canadian Mounted Police, presented the Stars and Stripes and the Brethren joined in singing "God Bless America."

The Representatives of other Grand Lodges were escorted into Grand Lodge and individually announced by the Grand Director of Ceremonies. The Brethren joined in singing "God Bless our Native Land."

The M.W. the Grand Master requested the V.W. Grand Director of Ceremonies to escort M.W. Brother W.M. Martin to the East, where he was presented with the Jewel of office as Grand Representative of the United Grand Lodge of England near the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan. Most Worshipful Brother Martin returned to his position at the Altar, expressed his appreciation for the appointment as Grand Representative of the United Grand Lodge of England and on behalf of the assembled Grand Representatives extended greetings and felicitations.

The Grand Master acknowledged the greetings and instructed the Grand Representatives to convey to their respective Grand Lodges the kindliest felicitations of Saskatchewan Freemasonry, and suggested further that they carry on correspondence with their respective Grand Lodges throughout the year.

The Grand Representatives were then accorded Grand Honours.

THANKS TO FLAG BEARERS

The Most Worshipful Grand Master addressed the Flag Bearers as follows: "Brothers McCombe and Gilhespy, I thank you for your splendid contribution to our proceedings. When carried out with the dignity and precision as exemplified by you, the presentation of the flags is one of the most impressive parts of our ceremonies. We know that you have other duties to perform and deeply appreciate the effort required to be here. We are indebted to you personally and to North West Mounted Police Lodge No. 11, of which you are emmbers."

Report of Committee on Grand Master's Address and Jurisprudence

M.W. Bro. S. J. A. Branion presented the report of the Committee on Grand Master's Address and Jurisprudence which, on motion of M.W. Bros. S. J. A. Branion and C. P. Moore, was received and adopted as follows:

To the M.W. the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.

Brethren:

Your Committee on Grand Master's Address and Jurisprudence submits the following report for your consideration:

We congratulate our Grand Master upon completion of a year in which Freemasonry in Saskatchewan has been very prosperous and we note with satisfaction his references to the value of District Meetings. We commend his reference to the work and responsibilities of District Deputy Grand Masters and the principles and the care which should govern their choice.

We sympathize with our Grand Master in respect to the painful and untimely accident which made it necessary for him to forego attendance at many of the District Meetings. We join with him heartily on behalf of the Craft in his expression of appreciation to those who took charge of District Meetings on his behalf.

We approve the Grand Master's report as to dispensations granted and refused and join with him in expressing pleasure because of the Institution of three new Lodges at: Glentworth, Rose Valley, and Meadow Lake.

The Grand Master's disapproval of certain irregularities in balloting are very much to the point and we commend his strong censure of the irregularities to which he refers.

We are pleased to note the Grand Master's firmness in dealing with the matter of resolutions in Lodges in respect to political or governmental matters.

With the Grand Master's decision that the report of an Investigating Committee need not be unanimous we agree, but we do not agree that this decision depends upon our rules in respect to balloting. In the absence of some provision to the contrary the report of the majority of a Committee is the Committee's report and no reference to balloting is necessary in reaching the Grand Master's conclusion.

We note with approval our Grand Master's report of his visitations to certain of our Lodges and his attendance at the Grand Lodges of Manitoba and Alberta.

The Grand Master's favourable appraisal of the Tracing Board is well founded and his recognition of the work of Brother George E. Robins as Editor is well deserved.

Both in opening and closing of his address our Grand Master made fitting reference to the end of great world warfare and to the continuing need of brotherliness in the hearts of men in order that there may be in the world true peace. We commend to the Brethren perusal and thoughtful consideration of the Grand Master's words in all the paragraphs of the concluding section of his Address.

The Notices of Motions proposing amendments to the Constitution submitted for our consideration we find to be in order and proper to be submitted to the Grand Lodge.

Fraternally submitted,

S. J. A. BRANION, Chairman.

Report of Committee on Jurisprudence

M.W. Bro. S. J. A. Branion submitted the following special report of the Committee on Jurisprudence which, on motion of M.W. Bros. S. J. A. Branion and C. P. Moore, was received and adopted:

To the M.W. the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.

Brethren:

We submit the report of the Committee on Jurisprudence in respect to the question of a bulletin printed by Lodge Progress No. 92 and distributed with notices, and the question of its compliance with Section 208 of the Constitution:

The Bulletin in question clearly "prints or publishes a part of the proceedings of a Lodge." It therefore contravenes Section 208 of the Constitution, unless it comes within the three exceptions set out in the section, namely: (a) the recording of the minutes of the Lodge; (b) any notice or summons issued to the members; (c) proceedings of a festival or public meeting.

As to exception (a) there is no question because that could mean only the minute book of the Lodge. As to exception (b) your Committee is of the opinion that the bulletin in question is not a notice or a summons issued to the members and therefore is not in compliance with Section 208. As to exception (c) you Committee is of opinion that in so far as the bulletin reports only a festive occasion at which persons not Masons are permitted to be present, it does not violate Section 208 of the Constitution. Your Committee, however, would suggest with all due respect that such reports if published should be in keeping with the dignity and seriousness which characterize Freemasonry as an Institution.

Fraternally submitted,

S. J. A. BRANION, Chairman.

Address

V.W. Brother E. H. Knowles, Grand Chaplain, was then called on and addressed Grand Lodge as follows:

"It is the desire of the Grand Master that I should address you, and the theme suggested for me is a note of thankfulness for the cessation of hostilities.

Surely, nothing could be more appropriate than that all who represent Masonry in this Grand Jurisdiction should at this Communication remember with thankfulness our deliverance from the powers which threatened our existence and which sought the destruction of those ideals which we hold to be highest and best in our lives, by tradition, by development, by labour and progress, and that we should express our humble thanksgiving to the Most High for the gift of the spirit of patience, of endurance, of sacrifice and determination which alone could have given us the victory and which leaves us free to take our part in all that has to do with the welfare of humanity.

It is also a time and opportunity for us to remember the sacrifice it has meant to so many of our Brethren who have laid down their lives that, under God, the victory might come to us. Nothing we can do can ever repay that. The best we can do, and nothing but the best, will be worthy of that sacrifice.

Before humanity today is the call to "win the peace." Surely, this, for us all, calls for a close study not only of the causes of war and all its attendant evil, but of the things which belong to the peace of humanity. There can be no cause for complacency if we look at humanity as it is today. Before us is a humanity which is suffering from many wounds. Not all these wounds are war wounds, but wounds in social life and in the way people have to live until the adjustment of it comes by right thinking and leadership.

Masonry is very familiar with the words of the Law as given in the Book of Ecclesiastes, or Koheleth, where the preacher solemnly reminds us: "Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: Fear God, and keep His commandments: for this is the whole duty of man."

The second great commandment is, "Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself." These words are fraught with the deepest meaning and demand our careful study, for in them we are to realize there are to be no points of separation between man and his neighbour — we are to be as they and they as we: their trials as our trials, their difficulties as our difficulties; and even their mistakes as if they were our own.

We speak of progress — surely there can be no greater means of progress in the world today than can be found in carrying out this commandment.

We cannot but realize what wonderful progress humanity has made in its struggles against the adverse forces of nature, but this has only been made possible through the triumphs of organization. "Organization of his social life," says a noted writer, "is a continual task of man. Every new triumph over nature brings about a new circumstance which demands some modification of social organization to meet it. For, a healthy human organization must issue out of the facts of his economic and cultural life. Even if the problems of society had never been complicated by sin, man's life would have been a continual adventure in adaptation."

While Masonry cannot take an active part in any youth organization yet each member in his own sphere will be vitally interested in the factors affecting youth since from youth is to come the future of Masonry. This is part of the consolidation of victory under arms.

We have not yet won the victory of peace. There is much to do before we can say we have "won the peace." As the victory of arms came about through a consolidation of Allied power in a manner and by an effort which has been unequalled in the history of mankind, so also must we look for a consolidation of world resources that the peace may be won. In this, the greatest factor of all will be the true estimate of spiritual values. The works of the spirit are love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, temperance. These are asserted throughout the teaching of Masonry, they are set forth time and again in the instruction given to those who seek to join us and are the basis of our dealings with the Brethren. In offering this, the spirit of Freemasonry extends to all that good will which is the very essence of our relationships with those with whom we have to do."

Report of Fifth Annual Conference of Officers of the Four Western Grand Lodges

R.W. Bro. W. L. Clink submitted the following report, which on motion of R.W. Bros. W. L. Clink and F. C. Wilson was received and ordered printed in the Proceedings:

To the M.W. the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.

Brethren:

As your Deputy Grand Master, it was my duty to attend this Conference and to report on the proceedings and that, to me, became both a pleasure and an inspiration.

It was my initial visit to the Conference and while much of information and direction was included in the addresses and discussions, its greatest value to one who might subsequently have the privilege of becoming Grand Master

of his Jurisdiction, was the contact with those who were leaders in the neighbouring Grand Jurisdictions and the knowledge that all were facing somewhat similar problems, the information as to how these problems were being faced, the inspiration derived from the sincerity and determination of all that these problems should be conquered and the very fraternal spirit that existed. If there were no other benefit derived than the inspiration given to those who would subsequently lead the Craft within the provinces, then the time and expense involved would have been well worthwhile.

It would be impossible in any report within the limits of time which should be placed thereon, to do more than touch on some of the high-lights of the Conference.

The Conference itself has apparently been expanded in size. In 1944, there were present a total of 14 from the 4 Western Grand Jurisdictions. In 1945, there were present 21 from the 4 Western Grand Jurisdictions. In 1944, Saskatchewan was represented by 3 only, the Grand Master, the Deputy Grand Master and the Grand Secretary. In 1945, it was represented by 5, all eligible being present other than the Senior Grand Warden. The president elected in the previous Conference was M.W. Bro. George H. Crane-Williams, the Grand Master of Alberta, who opened the Conference and conducted it to the time of the election of officers, which was early on the agenda, when our own Grand Master, M.W. Bro. F. C. Hayes, was elected as president and took the chair and very effectively conducted the major part of the Conference. He has, therefore, had almost the entire responsibility, ably assisted of course, by the secretary of the Conference, M.W. Bro. Geo. F. Ellis of Alberta and the Grand Secretaries of the 4 Jurisdictions, in organizing the Conference which will be held this coming September.

During the course of the Conference it was felt and expressed that the man who organized the Conference should be in charge throughout and this was agreed to, so that our own Grand Master will again be in charge of the coming Conference in September and will have had the unusual opportunity of impressing his personality on 2 succeeding Conferences in a way that no one in the past, or in all probability in the future, will have had, or will have, and I am satisfied that this responsibility will be well taken care of.

The retiring president, in his opening remarks, welcomed those present most charmingly and referred to those who had been previously prime movers in this Conference, who were no longer able to be there, particularly M.W. Bro. Percy Marchant of British Columbia, who had been directed to lead one of the discussions and was prevented by illness from being present.

He also referred to the interest being shown in our Conference by other Jurisdictions, particularly those in Eastern Canada. In this connection the meeting subsequently agreed to invite representation from the Eastern Grand Jurisdictions of Canada to our next Conference, to be designated as a "Peace Conference" with a possible view of greater co-operation in the future throughout the length and breadth of Canada.

Two distinguished guests were present and welcomed by the retiring president, namely the Grand Master of the State of Illinois and R.W. Bro. Geo. P. Ellis, Chairman of its Finance Board. R.W. Bro. Ellis had been a visitor in the previous year and in the succeeding year, 1945, brought his Grand Master with him to observe the proceedings. Both of these Brethren added much to the success of the Conference and were far from being mere observers.

M.W. Bro. W. P. Marchant had been directed to lead in the discussion of benevolent activities and a letter was read from him at the opening of the meeting by our Conference secretary, expressing his regrets and setting out the theme that he had intended to press, which I can best put before this Grand Lodge in a limited quotation from that letter:

"Masonic Benevolence should not be benevolence for Freemasons alone, nor should benevolent funds be used simply to provide funds for benevolence

for Freemasons. Surely that is a close and narrow view to take of the 'universal benevolence at all times, and in all places', taught in our philosophy."

"Any limited idea that the funds we have collected are more or less of an insurance that **I** or **my** wife, or **my** children, or **my** Lodge, or **my** district, or **my** Grand Lodge, or **my** fraternity, shall have a moral if not a legal claim upon the funds in case they need help or assistance, is surely inadequate."

When this came up for discussion, it was subject to considerable criticism, so far as the widening of the field was concerned. The discussion was centered around Bro. Marchant's paper and a paper given by the Grand Secretary of Manitoba, R.W. Bro. J. H. G. Russell, who pressed the point that benevolence was one of the main fruits of Freemasonry and that "by their fruits ye shall know them." He also stressed the fact that benevolent endeavours of our Grand Lodge should, undoubtedly, widen the field that we should seek to cover and that the whole structure would of necessity have to be reconsidered.

A paper prepared by our own Past Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Douglas Fraser, who was, unfortunately, unable to be present, was read in his absence and contained a mass of illuminating information. He criticized the tendency to amass funds proportionately out of all bearing to any reasonable prospect of need but stressed as well the fact that the funds so created were trust funds to be held exclusively for the trusts for which they had been raised.

He also suggested the need of widening the field at present covered. This was spoken to as well by R.W. Bro. Truesdale of Alberta. He also stated:

"I am one of those who believes that our benevolent work is not as generous or extensive as it should be."

One matter that was injected into the discussion of a practical nature, was that we are practically barred from giving assistance to old age pensioners over and above a very limited amount, as assistance in excess of that amount would be, in effect, a bonusing of the Government. After very considerable discussion, it was suggested to the Grand Masters that the Jurisdictions should, by such means as they felt best, endeavour to have the present restrictions on such assistance removed.

A very excellent and comprehensive address was tendered by R.W. Bro. A. E. Ottewell of Alberta on "Post War Youth Rehabilitation," in which he summarized the activities of the various Jurisdictions. It was agreed that in view of the way in which the field was covered by the Government, our efforts could only be supplementary and somewhat limited in scope, more directed to the immediate needs of the individual than to endeavour to cover the whole group.

We had a very fine address from the Deputy Grand Master of Manitoba, R.W. Bro. Donovan on "Freemasonry and Its Great Opportunities" in which he strongly stressed the dangers of not taking advantage of the large influx into the Order at the present time to make real Freemasons of them and not simply members. He suggested that the Order might suffer a jungle growth that would choke out real Freemasonry unless these members, coming into the Order, were properly assimilated, educated and inspired. He quoted as the essential theme from an address by M.W. Bro. Archdeacon Geo. E. Calvert:

"This Brotherhood is cemented by men whose high purpose it is to live so Honourably as brothers and citizens that the world may feel its leavening influence. Men expect much of us — that is their right — Freemasonry is not only a beautiful system of morality veiled in allegory and illustrated by symbols, it is a way of living together in friendship, in good faith and in honour. My brothers, I am jealous for the Craft — so much of our civilization is dough. I want Freemasonry to be the leaven."

A very excellent paper was given by our own Grand Secretary, R.W. Bro. R. A. Tate, dealing with the wider sphere of activity for Grand Lodge Representatives, which paper was honoured by a fairly lengthy discussion by

the Brethren present. Our Grand Secretary recommended that these representatives be given a more definite standing, more honour and more work. He recommended that the ceremony of the roll call be elaborated and extended. He suggested that a group of seats in Grand Lodge be set aside for them; that Grand Lodges confer an honourary rank, possibly that of Grand Warden, on their Representatives in other Jurisdictions and possibly a distinctive jewel or regalia be given to them by the Grand Jurisdiction that they represent, to be retained and worn by them while they are acting as such Representatives; that they be encouraged to report in the Tracing Board or similar publication anything of interest from the Grand Jurisdiction. He also recommended that non-attendance at 2 or 3 consecutive Annual Communications should terminate an appointment.

Possibly the 2 high-lights of the Conference were the messages brought by the two Brethren from Illinois. The Grand Master, who had previously visited us at our Grand Communication, spoke on the need of Freemasonry putting its weight behind all efforts to outlaw war and behind all efforts for the relief of sufferers from pestilence and hunger. He urged that Freemasonry again become operative and his suggestion in this respect was the subject of much discussion. He expressed his pleasure in the paper given by R.W. Bro. Tate of our Grand Lodge and stated that he had previously felt that the office of Grand Representative should be abolished, but that Bro Tate's paper convinced him that something worthwhile could be made of that office.

M.W. Bro. Burd of British Columbia spoke at some length in connection with his view of what Masonry becoming operative would mean. He decried the present tendency to try and get something out of either religion or Freemasonry, rather than to be more interested in the contribution to be made.

R.W. Bro. Geo. P. Ellis of Illinois spoke at length in what was, to me, the outstanding effort of the Conference on "The Dedication of Freemasonry in a Post War World." He took the view that such things as war, famine and pestilence were the indications of the state of the world and not themselves the cause of it. He carried back the analysis of the cause of these evils to the universal selfishness of mankind. He pressed the point that the answer to these evils could only be found in religion and in the education and teachings of such bodies as Freemasonry, which acted as the hand-maiden or a supplement to religion. He pressed strongly the need to educate and inspire our members and to make them, as a previous speaker had said, "the leaven" in the world at large and that Lodges should not believe their greatest function to be the mechanical grinding out of degrees; that they should be power houses to which the membership go to renew their spirits and regain courage to go out to put into practise the great principles for which Freemasonry stands.

The address of Bro. Ellis was on the concluding afternoon session. It was followed by discussion, the main part of which was led by R.W. Bro. Ottewell of Alberta, and his address was, in its way, as outstanding as the address to which he was referring. He pressed the point that Freemasonry could do no better work in the Post war world than by inspiring youth to lead in the church and those callings which minister directly to the moral and spiritual welfare of mankind and to see that they do not lack for suitable workers. Many fine thoughts along the same line were expressed by other Brethren.

I myself introduced for discussion, in the forum that followed, the question of what methods should be used to attract to our ranks suitable material, particularly from among those returning from the Armed Forces. This was discussed at some length and a number of the Brethren were of the opinion that Grand Lodges should publicize, to some extent, the principles of the Craft. Most felt, however, that by suitably educating and inspiring our new members, we would create a general favourable opinion of society at large that would in itself be sufficient to attract those whom we sought to reach.

In the forum was discussed the question of uniformity of ceremonials, other than ritualistic. The balance of opinion seemed to be against any need for, or advantage in, uniformity.

One of the matters discussed was as to whether the extended time of the Conference had been worthwhile. The time spent extended from Friday morning until Saturday afternoon. It had previously been suggested that the time given to the metting should be interspersed with opportunities for enjoying the beautiful surroundings. However, the majority of those who came felt that they were there for work and the time at their disposal should be fully occupied, without making the time so short as to lose the value of extended discussion. It was decided to further extend the time by meeting on the Thursday evening, which would, however, mean no addition to the time that it took the members to get there or the expenses.

Since we met in September, of the 23 then present, 2 or 3 have passed to the Grand Lodge above. The Grand Master of British Columbia, M.W. Bro. W. H. Bland, who conducted the open forum, died during his year of office. R.W. Bro. J. H. G. Russell, for many years Grand Secretary of Manitoba and a member of our Grand Lodge, also has finally surrendered office.

M.W. Bro. Ellis of Calgary should be especially mentioned, as his work as Conference secretary through the years has been the main force leading to its continued and expanding success.

It was decided to again meet at Banff, the time to be fixed by the president. M.W. Bro. Ellis of Calgary was again elected Conference secretary.

I would respectfully recommend that the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan continue to be represented at these meetings by the same officers as in the past, that is, the immediate Past Grand Master, the four senior officers of the Grand Lodge and the Grand Secretary, all of which is respectfully submitted.

W. L. CLINK, Deputy Grand Master.

Authorized Representation at Conference of Officers of Four Western Canadian Grand Lodges

It was moved by R.W. Bro. W. L. Clink, seconded by V.W. Bro. M. H. Kine, that we authorize the attendance at the Conference of Officers of Four Western Canadian Grand Lodges of the Immediate Past Grand Master, the Grand Master, the Deputy Grand Master, the Grand Senior Warden, the Grand Junior Warden and the Grand Secretary, and that the appropriation for travelling expenses be increased to $450.00.

It was moved in amendment by M.W. Bros. N. B. Williams and D. Fraser that the representation from this Grand Lodge to the Conference of Officers of the Four Western Canadian Grand Lodges be the Immediate Past Grand Master, the Grand Master, the Deputy Grand Master and the Grand Secretary, and that the appropriation for travelling expenses remain at $300.00.

On the vote being taken the amendment was declared carried and the original motion declared lost.

Address

M.W. Bro. M. S. Donovan, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, was then called on and addressed Grand Lodge as follows:

"Most Worshipful Grand Master and Brethren of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, it is a pleasure for me to have this opportunity of bringing greetings to you from the Masons of the Grand Jurisdiction of Manitoba. R.W. Bro. Donnelly and myself appreciate the very warm welcome given to us and the kind hospitality shown us since our arrival.

Most Worshipful Grand Master, this is the third week in succession that you and I have been together in Grand Lodge work and it is very gratifying to see the keen interest shown in Freemasonry in these Grand Jurisdictions. It is evident that there is a great interest in Freemasonry because there are so many men presenting petitions to join our Lodges. They are looking for something and they think we have what they want. This should make us stop and think, for it is not so many years since we were experiencing a very different situation when petitioners were few and far between. That period was followed by the years of war. During these years when we passed through difficult times and danger threatened we took time to study the fundamentals of our Order and became more familiar with the inner meaning of Freemasonry. Thinking back and comparing that period with the present, one is reminded of a quotation used by Winston Churchill in a recent address — a few lines written by one of Marlborough's veterans.

"God and the soldier we adore
In times of danger, not before;
The danger passed and all things righted,
God is forgotten and the soldier slighted."

I would suggest that we might accept this quotation as a warning. In times of hardship and danger we looked to God and the fundamentals of our Order, we sought to understand the meaning behind our work.

At present we are riding on the crest of a wave of prosperity and everywhere we hear reports of material gains. I have heard it said many times and no doubt you have too. "We are kept so busy making Masons we do not have time for study and other phases of the work." I would suggest a correction for that statement and say we are so busy taking in members that we do not have time to make them Masons. There is a great difference. May we not then heed the warning in the quotation used above, and let us remember that wherever we are and whatever we do, His all seeing eye beholds us, and while we continue to act towards each other as true and faithful Craftsmen let us never fail to discharge our duty to Him. Our duty is to instil into new members the Masonic way of life and inspire them to search the teachings of our Order so that they may become Masons in the true sense and not merely members of our Lodges."

Report of Committee on Condition of Masonry

M.W. Bro. J. Orville Clarke presented the report of the Committee on Condition of Masonry which, on motion of M.W. Bros. J. Orville Clarke and N. B. Williams, was received and adopted as follows:

To the M.W. the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.

Brethren:

The pleasure experienced by your Committee last year in the discovery of vastly improved Masonic conditions throughout the length and breadth of our Grand Jurisdiction has been repeated in 1946; much that was said at the

beginning of the report of June, 1945, can be reiterated now and with emphasis. It is a matter of gratification that the usual evidence submitted mainly in the form of reports of the D.D.G.Ms. and the Statistical Reports of Lodge secretaries indicate a continuance of numerical and material advancement as well as further improvement in many oldtime unfavorable features which were ever recurring during that long period of trials and difficulties.

Again the members of Grand Lodge are urged to study the Annual Proceedings which are compiled and distributed with proverbial promptness by the office of the Grand Secretary. Therein will be found a mass of data and information covering the activities of the various departments of Grand Lodge presented in a concise, efficient manner which leaves specific reference by your Committee unnecessary. Neglect on the part of our Lodges to regard the instruction of the Board of General Purposes inserted in the inside of the front cover still prevails in thirty-three Lodges. Your Committee suggests that these bodies use the medium of the Annual Proceedings as a means of arousing interest and providing worthwhile Masonic knowledge.

However, certain phases of the internal affairs of our Lodges are not to be found in this compilation, hence your Committee again submits information and data which it believes can be both informative and interesting, serving to disclose deficiencies with a view to stimulating remedial measures and to reveal favorable aspects which afford examples worthy of emulation and useful in spurring all concerned to higher standards and more efficient activity.

Memberships. The total membership of the Craft in Saskatchewan has again undergone a substantial net gain as has been disclosed in the report of the Grand Secretary. Constituent Lodge secretaries report a total resident membership of 8670 — an increase of 782 over 1945. Many Lodges show considerable numerical strength. Four urban Lodges each report over 300 members, including non-resident, namely: Saskatchewan No. 16/5—363; Moose Jaw No. 3/3—331; Lodge Progress No. 92/5—310; and N.W.M.P. No. 11/2—306. Six rural Lodges each report over 120 members, including non-resident, namely: Melfort No. 18/1—125; Tisdale No. 76/1—130; Kindersley No. 86/12—130; Rosetown No. 91/12—128; and Biggar No. 100/12—124. Your Committee notes with satisfaction the marked increase in membership throughout the jurisdiction but is of the opinion that special care should be exercised in dealing with petitions for initiation as a precautionary measure to guard against the possibility of a repetition of the losses incurred in the early 1920's following the influx of members after the First World War.

May your Committee also be permitted to express the hope that the attention required by our Lodges in the ceremonials attendant upon the admittance of large numbers of initiates be not permitted to interfere unduly with the pursuit of Masonic study and discussions, a definite organization for which appears to be absent in over eighty Lodges.

Meetings and Attendance. 198 Lodges report holding collectively 2072 regular meetings and 774 Lodges of emergency — a total of 2846 meetings. Lodges leading in total meetings held, were:

(1) Urban Lodges holding 25 or more meetings:

Saskatchewan No. 16/5	48	Kinistino No. 1/1	26
Lodge Progress No. 92/5	39	Victory No. 144/5	26
Imperial No. 60/5	31	Prince Albert No. 63/1	25
St. Andrews No. 174/2	28	Banner No. 154/2	25
Assiniboia No. 49/2	27		

(2) Rural Lodges holding 20 or more meetings:

Melfort No. 18/1	25	Indian Head No. 5/4	21
Melville No. 62/10	24		

30 Lodges held fewer than 9 regular meetings each.

13 of the urban Lodges record an average attendance at regular meetings equal to 25% or more of their respective resident memberships, while 107 rural Lodges indicate an average attendance equal to 50% or more of their respective resident memberships.

Based on the qualifications required by your Committee for a number of years, namely: the average number of members, present at regular meetings only, in terms of percentage of the resident membership, the following Honor List is submitted in respect of such Lodges as were reported to be in good condition, holding at least nine regular meetings and with at least 10 resident members each, as follows:

(1) Rural Lodges:	Membership (Resident)	Average Attendance
Wakaw No. 166/1	16	80%
Carrot River No. 69/1	32	67%
Milestone No. 164/2	30	73%
Eyebrow No. 67/3	21	80%
Asquith No. 146/5	21	70%
Border No. 52/8	23	90%
Maryfield No. 94/9	14	93%
Canora No. 59/10	16	75%
Aurora No. 45/10	19	83%
Morse No. 93/11	23	70%
Harmony No. 75/13	25	75%
Invermay No. 102/15	14	71%
Strasbourg No. 46/16	24	71%
Raymore No. 155/16	13	77%
Riverhurst No. 139/17	15	80%
Macrorie No. 191/17	20	75%
Sovereign No. 192/17	35	67%

(2) Urban Lodges	Membership (Resident)	Average Attendance
Kinistino No. 1/1	96	35%
Prince Albert No. 63/1	110	35%
St. Andrews No. 174/2	178	34%
Doric No. 71/3	69	42%
Weyburn No. 20/6	73	40%
Latomia No. 125/6	58	44.8%
Yorkton No. 12/10	74	37%
Swift Current No. 26/11	99	44.3%

Financial status of the constituent Lodges—Unfortunately, data pertaining to the assets and liabilities of one Lodge in District No. 8 and another in District No. 17 has not been made available to your Committee and therefore the collective statements herein presented are accordingly incomplete. However, a comparison with those submitted one year ago will prove both informative and encouraging. They speak for themselves and depict substantial financial improvement.

COLLECTIVE STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
covering 196 chartered Lodges

ASSETS

Cash		$ 71,943.41
Securities, other than shares in companies providing halls.		146,765.44
Unpaid Dues	$ 26,510.88	
Less prospective loss	6,914.79	
		19,596.09
Sundry		6,576.93
Total liquid assets		$244,881.87
Premises: (including shares in concerns providing halls)	388,700.19	
Furniture, Furnishings and Regalia	95,156.39	
		483,856.58
Total Assets		$728,738.45

LIABILITIES

Prepaid Dues	$ 9,441.08
Property Debts (including owing re shares)	24,620.87
Sundry	6,441.58
Reserves and Funds	2,474.66
Total Liabilities	42,978.19
SURPLUS	685,760.26
	$728,738.45

Premises—Except in a few instances, the premises and equipment of the Constituent Lodges are reported by the D.D.G.Ms. as satisfactory. 66 Lodges of the 196 inspected are indicated as occupying their meeting places exclusively for Masonic purposes, 72 share them with the O.E.S., and 58 use halls occupied by others.

Ownership outright or by way of an interest through shares in companies providing meeting places is reported re 109 Lodges as against 107 last year. Only 19 Lodges show any debt in respect of premises.

Insurance—Total insurance carried by all Lodges is indicated as $278,610.00.

Arrearages of Dues: Improved economic conditions are again reflected in the reduced total of members in arrears and outstandings. 1999 members are reported as owing $26,510.88 as against 2305 members owing $31,453.22 one year ago.

37 Lodges are here listed as having excelled, in three categories, viz:

(1) Lodges with no arrears.	**(2) Lodges with 1 member in arrears.**	**(3) Lodges with 2 members in arrears**
Rosthern No. 22/1	Chaplin No. 197/3	Golden Rule No. 32/2
Mazenod No. 193/3	Lang No. 34/6	Avonlea No. 156/3
Ogema No. 120/6	Colfax No. 198/6	Asquith No. 146/5
Amity No. 15/8	Lonach No. 182/7	Welwyn No. 161/9
Wawato No. 150/9	Alameda No. 27/8	Lacadena No. 196/12
Saltcoats No. 162/10	Togo No. 130/10	Paragon No. 118/13
Maple Leaf No. 9/11	York No. 157/10	Vanguard No. 194/14
Mt. Hermon No. 124/11	Preeceville No. 167/10	Conquest No. 132/17
Wynyard No. 66/15	Elfros No. 145/15	Hawarden No. 143/17
Quill Lake No. 169/15	Strasbourg No. 46/16	Dunblane No. 148/17
Dinston No. 131/17	Touchwood No. 51/16	Macrorie No. 191/17
Riverhurst No. 139/17	Raymore No. 155/16	Sovereign No. 192/17
Lucky Lake No. 187/17		

NOTE:—District No. 17 again leads with the largest number of Lodges in the 3 categories — 8 in all, and 1 more than last year.

DISTRICT SUMMARY

Dist. No.	Lodges	Cash	Securities (see note)	Dues By	Unpaid Amount	Total Assets	Total Liabilities	Property Debts	Halls owned or Int.
1	13	$ 6,375.48	$ 9,790.23	168	$ 3,163.00	$ 49,491.19	$ 1,130.34	$ 436.70	8
2	14	10,330.64	10,257.58	283	3,686.35	114,367.67	17,529.36	12,643.44	12
3	15	5,706.47	17,167.26	165	1,630.25	118,951.10	3,462.71	2,200.00	10
4	9	2,573.52	9,780.00	71	1,240.00	29,238.52	252.10		6
5	14	8,215.59	11,179.00	264	3,059.16	52,214.26	4,140.60	1,680.00	7
6	11	4,119.13	6,988.00	82	1,281.50	31,550.57	886.22	241.23	8
7	11	3,039.55	14,201.20	88	1,160.98	31,797.45	324.00		5
8	9	1,702.90	1,950.00	93	645.75	8,367.65	356.49		1
9	12	3,496.31	3,922.83	76	1,415.50	17,679.67	1,757.20	1,500.00	3
10	12	3,312.42	6,126.00	79	1,046.53	36,078.65	1,955.02	225.00	8
11	11	4,434.14	6,989.83	156	2,372.80	46,512.77	3,629.64	2,989.50	7
12	9	3,807.18	8,705.00	81	748.50	44,464.36	2,989.00	2,295.00	7
13	12	3,240.59	8,401.50	111	1,401.87	33,078.76	848.68		5
14	13	4,295.34	13,695.74	117	1,526.25	34,431.28	707.10	100.00	6
15	10	2,249.76	10,036.88	52	765.00	26,802.97	121.65		4
16	11	2,742.77	4,258.89	88	1,036.44	27,851.46	2,160.39	310.00	5
17	10	2,301.62	3,315.50	25	271.00	25,860.12	687.69		7
	196	71,943.41	$146,765.44	1999	$26,510.88	$728,738.45	$42,978.19	$24,620.87	109

NOTE—Column headed "Securities" does not include shares in companies, etc. that provide premises for Lodge purposes. However, "Property Debts" column does include balance unpaid re such shares.

Liabilities— 63 Lodges show no liabilities (52 were so listed in 1945.)
111 " indicate liabilities consisting of prepaid dues, and temporary indebtedness, amply offset by liquid assets, and are consequently rated as "out of debt."

174 " are, therefore, virtually out of debt.
22 " have debts in the true sense, consisting chiefly of liabilities re premises. No Lodge reports a greater debt than $4,000.
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Districts Nos. 4, 6, 7, 13, 14, 15, 16, and 17 each has total liabilities of under $1,000.

Districts Nos. 4, 7, 8, 13, 15 and 17 each shows no debts in respect to premises.

Although in this report a number of Districts and constituent Lodges are accorded honorable mention, it does not necessarily follow that these distinctions indicate a generally high standard of efficiency. Many other Lodges are performing duties and discharging responsibilities conscientiously and well. Over two hundred years ago Alexander Pope penned this couplet, which applies today:

"Honour and shame from no condition rise;
Act well your part, there all the honour lies."

Local Benevolence—Contributions for local charitable purposes are reported by 57 Lodges to the extent of$5,312.29. District No. 5 disbursed more than any other three Districts combined and included an individual Lodge record outlay currently for the entire Grand Jurisdiction of $625.00 by Lodge Progress No. 92, Saskatoon. Ninety-two Lodges evidently lack definite arrangements for dispensing local benevolence

District Meetings—These important gatherings continue to contribute nobly to the good of the Craft throughout Saskatchewan. Minutes of the various meetings held indicate good attendances — 161 Lodges appear to have been represented — and record an excellent program that was well received, interesting and inspiring.

Official Visits of D.D.G.Ms.—The importance of a well planned, worthwhile program coupled with a creditable attendance on the occasion of the official visit of the D.D.G.M. cannot be too forcibly drawn to the attention of all responsible for the success of these gatherings. Your Committee notes that in 48 instances the attendance was below 50% and 25% respectively of the resident memberships of the rural and urban Lodges concerned. Furthermore, your Committee regrets that the reports indicate that at 64 official visits, the D.D.G.M. failed to witness the conferring or exemplification of a degree. Obviously, a true inspection of the work of officers cannot be made without an opportunity to observe them in the performance of important ceremonial duties which make either favorable or unfavorable lasting impressions on our newly admitted members. It is only fair to state that the conditions herein referred to were spread with few exceptions over the entire seventeen districts. Each Lodge in District No. 7 produced a good attendance, and all Lodges, except two in each of Districts Nos. 3, 12, 14, 16 and 17 were in that category. The D.D.G.M. witnessed degree work in each Lodge visited in District No. 12, and in Districts Nos. 2, 3, 7, 10, 14, 15 and 17. The inspection at the time of the official visit included degree work except in not more than 3 Lodges in each District. Six was the greatest number of Lodges with an unfavorable attendance in any one District; and 8 was the largest number of instances in any one District where no degree work was witnessed.

Your Committee refers the incoming D.D.G.Ms. to a paragraph on page 51 of the 1945 Proceedings of Grand Lodge in which the Committee's views

as to certain other duties of these officials are expressed, and urges that this request be fully respected.

The attention of your Committee has been drawn to certain discrepancies between the Statistical Table which appeared commencing on page 124 of the 1945 Proceedings, and the specific reference to certain Lodges which was made in the Committee's report last year. It is only right to explain that the data for this Statistical Report is supplied to the printers by the Grand Secretary's office soon after receipt in order to avoid delay in the publication of the current Proceedings following the Annual Communication of Grand Lodge. This information is taken mainly from the District Summaries furnished by the D.D.G.Ms. which are based in turn on the figures contained in the Statistical reports of the secretaries of the Constituent Lodges, and released to the printers before review by your Committee who in the circumstances assume no responsibility for their accuracy. An analysis of each such Statistical Report is made in due course by your Committee and corrections in additions, computations, etc. attempted before the latter's report is submitted to Grand Lodge. Too often the opportunity to carefully check them all is delayed until a date so near the meeting of Grand Lodge as to seriously hinder the effective working of your Committee. The prompt filing of such reports as soon as possible after February 1st each year as requested from time to time by the Grand Secretary is therefore of the utmost importance.

The several reports of the D.D.G.Ms. for the term now ending convinces your Committee that the personal representatives of the Grand Master in all the 17 Districts have pursued their tasks with fidelity and zeal and have conscientiously endeavoured to perform their duties efficiently and acceptably. Collectively their written findings bear testimony to the continued advancement of Masonry in Saskatchewan.

Based on the considered opinions of these officers, the following table is submitted as indicative of the condition and prospects of 196 constituent Lodges in our Grand Jurisdiction:—

	Excellent or Good	Fair	Poor	Total
Condition	167	25	4	196
Prospects.	166	25	5	196

The D.D.G.Ms. also report an improvement in the attention given by Lodges to that important phase of business operations — the yearly audit — which appears to have been neglected in only six Lodges. It is difficult to understand either the apparent inattention by officers or the indifference of the membership affected to some form of certified evidence, at least once every twelve months, of the financial affairs of their local organization.

Historical Registers, it would seem, continue to be a source of worry in too many Lodges and the fact that the number delinquent in this direction has increased from 47 last year to 52 this year would indicate that the problem is by no means solved. May your Committee draw the attention of all concerned to that portion of the report on the Condition of Masonry relating to Historical Registers to be found on page 50 of the 1945 Proceedings.

As a slight recognition of valuable services freely graciously rendered and with the concurrence of the M.W., the Grand Master, your Committee has pleasure in recommending that the rank of P.D.D.G.M. be conferred on each incumbent of the office of D.D.G.M. for the past year, namely:

R.W. Bro. W. C. Shearer ..... District No. 1
R.W. Bro. Wm. Pedersen ..... District No. 2
R.W. Bro. W. R. Gunning ..... District No. 3
R.W. Bro. Harold Robb ..... District No. 4

R.W. Bro. A. W. L. Mann ..... District No. 5
R.W. Bro. P. C. Hill ..... District No. 6
R.W. Bro. John Candline ..... District No. 7
R.W. Bro. D. A. Gilliland ..... District No. 8
R.W. Bro. D. F. MacKay ..... District No. 9
R.W. Bro. Joseph Jira ..... District No. 10
R.W. Bro. C. N. E. Medforth ..... District No. 11
R.W. Bro. D. A. McMillan ..... District No. 12
R.W. Bro. James Park ..... District No. 13
R.W. Bro. W. S. McMillan ..... District No. 14
R.W. Bro. Arton Faust ..... District No. 15
R.W. Bro. E. C. Hollis ..... District No. 16
R.W. Bro. H. T. Kelly ..... District No. 17

Fraternally submitted,

J. ORVILLE CLARKE, Chairman

Report of Committee on Necrology

R.W. Bro. W. O. Fraser presented the report of the Committee on Necrology which, on motion of R.W. Bro. W. O. Fraser and V.W. Bro. T. Guest was received and adopted as follows:

To the M.W. the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.

Brethren:

Another year has passed into history. The Grim Reaper has taken toll among our Brethren and has not spared young or old. We who are left can reflect on the shortness of time and know that we too must obey the call that comes to all flesh. Not length of days but deeds count with the Great Architect of the Universe and the Father of all men.

Some of our most illustrious Brethren have been called to the Home above, where they will be at rest from their labours. They leave behind them the good deeds they have done, the discouraged Brethren they have raised from dark despair to a glorious hope, the widows and orphans they have helped and cheered along life's highway. Those who mourn cherish the memory of a life well spent in this world of sorrow and distress — a world they left a little better because a brother lived and worked as a Freemason in it — where he performed his task when it was day and now has entered into rest.

In these days of famine, disease and suffering every Mason should do all he can to give his fellowman a brighter outlook on life; to assist him to make more of his life; to instill more faith in one another. God is Great! Let us not forget!

It is with sorrow that we announce the passing of our beloved Past Grand Master:

James McCauley, who died at his home in the City of Vancouver, April 20th, 1946, at the age of 76 years. He was born October 25th, 1869, at Ingersoll, Ontario, came West in 1886, and worked for the Canadian Pacific Railway at Donald, B.C. and Moose Jaw, Saskatchewan. He was a railway conductor from 1900 to 1935, when he was superannuated and retired to Vancouver, where he was noted for his beautiful garden. Bro. McCauley was a member of St. John's Anglican Church. In October, 1895 he married Cynthia Colenutt, who predeceased him in 1937. In 1938 he married Mary Bedford, who survives him. Three sons and one daughter also survive him.

From the time of his initiation to his last hour he gave his time and talents to Freemasonry and we will miss him in our Councils.

James Walter MacNeill, another of our beloved Past Grand Masters, died on July 1st, 1945 — a man loved and honoured wherever he went. He first practised medicine in New Brunswick, later at Hanley, Saskatchewan. He was one of our great men — one we will miss — one God called Home from a life of toil and earnest endeavour to help his fellowmen.

James Hamilton Gordon Russell, who passed away on February 7th, 1946, at the grand old age of 84 years. Prominent in all good works, the Province of Manitoba is richer because he lived and worked therein. We sympathize with our Sister Jurisdiction in the loss of their Grand Secretary.

HARRY HOLDEN BAMFORD

W.M. of Moose Jaw Lodge No. 3, in 1931. D.D.G.M. of District No. 3 in 1938. Died January 11th, 1946.

ERNEST WILLIAM MILLER

W.M. of Qu'Appelle Valley Lodge No. 32, in 1894. D.D.G.M. of District No. 9, in 1909. Made life member of Qu'Appelle Valley Lodge in 1916. Presented with Saskatchewan Freemasonry's 50-year Gold Button in 1938. Died November 3rd, 1945.

IRWIN DEAN

W.M. of Estevan Lodge No. 25, in 1915. Appointed V.W. Grand Steward in 1918. D.D.G.M. of District No. 6, in 1920. Died July 11th, 1946.

JAMES A. THOMPSON

W.M. of Yorkton Lodge No. 12 in 1918. D.D.G.M. of District No. 9 in 1925. Died July 27th, 1945.

MURRAY H. DICKSON

W.M. of True Blue Lodge in Ontario and later of Biggar Lodge No. 100 in 1914. D.D.G.M. of District No. 13 in 1921. Died March 31st, 1945.

DANIEL A. STEELE

Senior Warden of Composite Lodge No. 103 in 1913 and W.M. in 1914. D.D.G.M. of District No. 8 in 1920. Died January 3rd, 1946.

STEPHEN SOLLEY

W.M. of Lancer Lodge No. 123 in 1919. D.G.G.M. of District No. 11 in 1933. Died September 8th, 1945.

ADAM STEWART

W.M. of Woodrow Lodge No. 112 in 1916. D.D.G.M. of District No. 11 in 1933. Died September 8th, 1945.

CHARLES PERCY TOWN

W.M. of Swift Current Lodge No. 26 in 1915. Appointed Very Worshipful Grand Organist in 1927. Died July 16th, 1945.

WILLIAM HENRY IBBERSON

W.M. of Imperial Lodge in 1935. Appointed Very Worshipful Grand Organist in 1942. Died March 6th, 1945.

DAVID LAWRENCE

Member of Rosetown Lodge No. 91. Presented with Saskatchewan Freemasonry's Gold Button and Fifty-year Certificate in 1944. He also held Manitoba's fifty-year Jewel. Died April 11th, 1946.

JOHN WILLIAM ARTHUR SOLLEY

W.M. of Lancer Lodge No. 123 in 1915. Appointed Very Worshipful Grand Steward in 1931. Died May 8th, 1945.

ROBERT JOHN MOFFATT

W.M. of Elstow Lodge No. 147 in 1922. Appointed Very Worshipful Grand Steward in 1923. Died February 12th, 1941.

DANIEL NEELANDS LINDSAY

W.M. of Ionic Lodge, North Battleford, in 1923. Appointed Grand Junior Deacon in 1923. Died February 27th, 1945.

One Hundred and Fifty of our Brethren we will see no more in our Councils, on our streets; but in our hearts we will remember them and try to do our part even as they. I recommend that the names of all deceased Brethren be included in our Proceedings.

In accordance with what has now become an annual custom, Decoration Day was held on Sunday, May 19th, at Royal Oak Burial Park, Victoria, British Columbia. Flowers were placed on the graves of:

M.W. Bro. H. Jagger of Moose Jaw; R.W. Bro. J. M. Shaw, Regina; R.W. Bro. F. S. Proctor, Fort Qu'Appelle; Bro. A. L. Bamford, Saskatoon; Bro. F. W. Bowles, Rosetown; Bro. J. C. Crump, Pense; Bro. J. P. Dill, Wolseley; Bro. E. R. Jenkins, Regina; Bro. G. B. Johnson, Strasbourg; Bro. J. E. Keltie, Francis; Bro. G. L. Hopkins, Regina, Bro. G. T. Millard, Regina; Bro. F. G. Smith, Melfort; Bro. W. H. Appleton, Melfort; Bro. J. C. Waddington, Weyburn; Bro. W. G. Watson, Saskatoon; Bro. George Wilkins, Moose Jaw; Bro. J. N. Young, Regina; Bro. Thomas Miller, Moose Jaw; Bro. R. L. Spencer, Unity; Bro. L. N. Nelson, Tisdale; Bro. W. H. Smith, Elrose.

The following Saskatchewan Brethren were in attendance: Arch. J. K. Irwin, Rex Smart, Assiniboia No. 49, Regina; Wm. Niblock, Wm. Mattick, H. Taylor, Wascana No. 2, Regina; W. P. Angus, C. A. Hislop, Memorial No. 172, Moose Jaw; J. W. Archibald, Rouleau No. 40; E. W. Bain, Banner No. 154, Regina; J. W. Graham, John McArthur, W. Stanley, Kinistino No. 1, Prince Albert; E. O. Hancox, A. Hancox, Kindersley No. 86; H. M. Hennequin, Imperial No. 60, Saskatoon; L. S. Irvine, W. Willis, King Hiram No. 104, Regina; Harold Johnson, Doric No. 71, Moose Jaw; J. H. Laird, Moose Jaw No. 3; G. H. Lyne, Prince Albert No. 63; T. A. Mattick, Qu'Appelle No. 6; Geo. McCauley, H. Mayhew, St. George No. 136, Moose Jaw; S. E. McMillan, Broderick No. 113, Glenside; Wm. Purnell, Radville No. 175; Robert Sharp, Weyburn No. 20; H. Smallshaw, Limerick No. 109; T. Welsh, Indian Head No. 5.

R.W. Bro. John Woolcock, D.D.G.M. of Victoria District, was present on behalf of the Grand Lodge of British Columbia, and Bro. Rev. Walter Ross, Chateaugay, New York.

Fraternally submitted,

W. O. FRASER, Acting Chairman.

Report of Committee on Freemasonry and Youth

W. Bro. E. H. M. Knowles presented the report of the Committee on Freemasonry and Youth which, on motion of W. Bro. E. H. M. Knowles and R. W. Bro. A. F. McFaull, was received and adopted as follows:

To the M.W. the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.

Brethren:

In view of the regulation passed at the last Annual Communication of Grand Lodge wherein it was provided that, subject to the use and provision of the fund or any part for its original purpose, that it be held by this Grand

Lodge and used for cases of rehabilitation on the direction of the Lodge contributing, to the extent of its contribution, and the funds remaining after three years were to be applied for the general purposes of this Committee. The function of the Committee is, therefore, in the main one of administration and several Lodges have taken advantage of the opportunity to make use of the fund for its original purpose. Efforts have been made through the medium of the Tracing Board to keep the matter before the various Lodges and it is to be hoped that no worthy cause will be overlooked.

Respectfully submitted,
E. H. M. KNOWLES, Chairman

Report of Committee on Masonic History

W. Bro. E. H. M. Knowles presented the report of the Committee on Masonic History which, on motion of W. Bro. E. H. M. Knowles and R.W. Bro. W. H. Moor, was received and adopted as follows:

To the M.W. Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.

Brethren:

The Biography of the Grand Master has been written and submitted for inclusion in the Annual Proceedings.

Very few Lodge histories have been added to the archives and consequently our history of Freemasonry in Saskatchewan is still incomplete. As time passes, and many pioneer members pass to their rest, much information of great value is lost, and while this work is something that appears to be capable of postponement, such a course only results in more work and less detailed information. With the passing of years, and the admission of many new members, the past is becoming more remote and it is to be hoped that those Lodges which have not yet filed their histories will make every effort to do so during the ensuing year.

Respectfully submitted,
E. H. M. KNOWLES, Chairman

Report of Committee on Masonic Education

M.W. Bro. S. J. A. Branion presented the report of the Committee on Masonic Education which, on motion of M.W. Bros. S. J. A. Branion and W. B. Tate, was received and adopted as follows:

The the M.W. the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.

Brethren:

The Committee appointed by the Grand Master to have charge of Masonic education has found its work difficult. Because of removals from the Province certain new appointments were necessary immediately after Grand Lodge. Even then, as a result of ill health and pressure of other duties, only four of a Committee of eight were able to prepare papers. Two papers were prepared by men who are not members of the Committee, namely, M.W. Bro. Robert Young and M.W. Bro. Douglas Fraser. In the result, the Chairman has been wholly responsible for six of the eleven papers. This is clearly not the best plan for our educational work.

The Brethren will have observed that some recent papers are taken from or founded upon articles which appeared in our Grand Lodge Proceedings of years ago. These articles must, of course, be rewritten or edited so as to bring

them within the space available in the Tracing Board. But Saskatchewan Freemasonry has good reason to be proud of the quantity and of the quality of the material in Masonic Research and Masonic Education which has appeared annually in the Proceedings since the year 1927.

The work of this Committee in recent years has been confined to provision of the articles appearing on the fourth page of the Tracing Board. The topics treated in the year 1945-46 are the following:

Ecclesiastes XII: 1-7.
The Secrecy of Freemasonry
The Publicity of Freemasonry
Grand Lodge Proceedings 1945 (A Quiz)
Books on Masonry
Acting on the Square
The Benevolent Fund
Masonry: What It Is and What It Is Not
Masonry in the World of Today
The Founders of Freemasonry
Modern Trends in Freemasonry

Once more the Committee suggests that Lodges and members of Lodges should take the trouble to write the Chairman of the Committee or the Grand Secretary pointing out what is most helpful and what is least helpful and making suggestions as to how the articles can be made to serve better the Lodges and the Craft.

Fraternally submitted,

S. J. A. BRANION, Chairman

Report of Board of Trustees of the Benevolent Fund

M.W. Bro. D. Fraser presented the report of the Board of Trustees of the Benevolent Fund which, on motion of M.W. Bros. D. Fraser and W.M. Martin, was received and adopted as follows:

To the M.W. the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan A.F. & A.M.

Brethren:

On June 21st, 1945, immediately following the close of Grand Lodge, the Board met for re-organization for the ensuing Masonic year. M.W. Bro. Williams reiterated his decision, as intimated in his report, that he would not continue as President, whereupon a motion commending his excellent work as President throughout the preceding decade was adopted. With the spirit of this resolution, I am confident you are all heartily in accord. Thereupon the following were duly elected.

President—M.W. Bro. Douglas Fraser.

Vice-President—M.W. Bro. James McGregor.

Secretary—R.W. Bro. Robert A. Tate.

The annual full meeting of the Board was held at Regina on March 27th and the occasion was graced by the presence of the M.W. the Grand Master. All interim new applications which had been dealt with temporarily by the executive together with those formerly approved were reviewed and appropriate action taken. Appended are complete returns of all grants for the year past and those presently in force.

As a slight recognition of the assistance rendered the Board by the Vancouver Masonic Service Bureau a vote of $50.00 was approved. In acknowledging, the Secretary comments as follows:

"Through our present organization we are able to personally contact each and every member or widow who may be receiving assistance, financial or otherwise, and we can assure you that it is really a worthwhile effort and one which pays dividends. There are many older Brethren and widows residing in the City of Vancouver who have the Board of Trustees of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan to thank for the timely assistance which they have received and we of the Vancouver Masonic Service Bureau know how generous your Board of Trustees are when they are satsified that the need is real and urgent."

Our heartfelt thanks are tendered to this splendid organization and equally to other organizations and Brethren outside the Jurisdiction who on request freely give of their time and attention.

As was his invariable custom M.W. Bro. James McCauley came from Vancouver to attend and took an active part in the deliberations. It was a decided shock when, within three weeks, we heard of his passing. The growth and administration of this Fund was perhaps his paramount Masonic interest. He served on the Board continuously from 1918 and was President for 17 years. In his term as Grand Master a special drive was launched which resulted in greatly increasing the capital and from which stemmed the present substantial proportions it has attained. It stands as a monument to his memory.

Audited statements have been furnished in advance to all Lodges and you have full detail of the standing of not only the Benevolent Fund but of the several other funds which by constitution the Board administers. We commend these statements to your careful perusal. Three comments we would offer thereon:

(a) With the influx of new members; the prompt payment of levies by the Lodges and the decrease in calls for assistance, the Fund is buoyant and shows substantial increase.

(b) Interest returns on approved investments continue to decline rapidly and it is becoming increasingly difficult to maintain the former earning capacity of the Fund. The indications are that this condition wll continue for some time and thus the level of our total grants can be sustained only by continued increase of capital.

(c) Various constituent Lodges and individuals continue to make unsolicited contributions to the Fund, much to the gratification of the Trustees and to the honor of these good Brethren, as follows:

W. Bro. P. M. Sparks Amity No. 15	$10.00
Gothic Lodge No. 105	56.61
Sceptre Lodge No. 140	30.78
Herbert Lodge No. 180	10.00
Macrorie Lodge No. 191	18.31
Sovereign Lodge No. 192	48.00

Subsequent to the close of the Masonic year a contribution of $30.00 was received from Mossbank Lodge No. 129 which will appear in the financial statement a year hence.

The following amounts have been refunded in connection with grants previously made:

Estevan Lodge No. 25	$20.00
Yellow Grass Lodge No. 96	60.00
Paragon Lodge No. 118	100.00

The President was directed by resolution of the Board to attend the Conference of Western Grand Masters and to accept the invitation of the Conference to participate in a full discussion of Benevolent Fund administration in the four western Grand Jurisdictions. Being unable to attend I did, however, contribute a study on the subject which the Grand Secretary duly presented. The report of the conference indicates that a splendid discussion

ensued with much valuable interchange of information on immediate problems and future trends. The usual paper for use in the Lodges on "Benevolent Fund night" was prepared for publication in the March issue of the "Tracing-Board."

Arising out of an application for a decision as to the statutory power of the Board to entertain an application for assistance to the widow of an unaffiliated Brother it was necessary to again point out that this is a trust fund administered in accordance with the provisions of the Constitution and the well defined law governing trusts. The fund is "for the assistance of Masonic Brethren in good standing (page 92)." On demit issuing the applicant's membership thereupon terminates (sec. 178). It is obvious, therefore, that an application on behalf of a demitted Brother cannot be legally considered. Further it is the duty of a Brother to keep in goood standing. If a Brother were permitted to carry a demit for years; thus evading his Masonic responsibilities, and nevertheless could later demand the benefits to which one in good standing is entitled, the practice might soon grow to such proportions as to become a menace to the Lodges and the Fund. We set this out at length for the guidance of Lodges and as a warning to unaffiliated Brethren.

We commend the many Lodges which are maintaining local Lodge Benevolent Funds thus enabling them to relieve distress among their members before applying to Grand Lodge for supplementary assistance. We earnestly recommend that every Lodge having beneficiaries of the Fund should annually review each case in open Lodge in order that the membership may be fully aware of what Masonry is doing as a practical exemplification of the teachings of the N.E. angle.

The Board recommend for approval acceptance of the settlement re Prince Albert Registered Debenture Stock on the terms agreed upon between the Bond holders Committee and the City and approved by the Local Government Board as follows: Cancellation of one-half interest arrears to 1940 and reduction of interest rate to 3% for 5 years and thereafter 3¼% to maturity 1966 with call privileges.

The Benevolent Fund is like a great reservoir of refreshing water in an arid land from which are piped sustaining streams to every part of the Jurisdiction where need exists. It is constantly replenished by springs of good will inflowing from individuals and Lodges. As the water makes "the desert to blossom as the rose" so do the Benevolent Fund grants make to bloom in the hearts of the beneficiaries flowers of contentment and gratitude.

May the springs never dry up at the source nor the weary travellers faint for want of the life-giving draughts.

"Charity has the approbation of Heaven and Earth and like its sister Mercy blesses him who gives as well as him who receives."

Fraternally submitted,

DOUGLAS FRASER, President.

During the past twelve months, $13,255.50 has been paid out from the Fund for assistance as follows:

No.	Lodge	Benef.	Amount
3	Moose Jaw	Mrs. P. L.	$180.00
3	Moose Jaw	Mrs. W. H.	112.50
4	Qu'Appelle Valley	Bro. A. M. R.	250.00
5	Indian Head	Mrs. E. B.	330.00
6	Qu'Appelle	Mrs. E. R. D.	120.00
6	Qu'Appelle	Mrs. W. K. W.	90.00
10	Evening Star	Mrs. E. E. E.	240.00
11	N.W.M.P.	Mrs. R. M.	240.00

No.	Lodge	Benef.	Amount
12	Yorkton	Bro. B. C. T.	50.00
12	Yorkton	Mrs. T. B.	180.00
12	Yorkton	Bro. A. M. R.	135.00
13	Duck Lake	Bro. J. S.	60.00
15	Amity	Bro. T. W. C.	75.00
19	Battle	Miss E. T.	144.00
23	Britannia	Mrs. A. B.	228.00
25	Estevan	Mrs. E. R. S.	60.00
25	Estevan	Mrs. E. H.	204.00
25	Estevan	Mrs. M. L. M.	220.00
26	Swift Current	Mrs. J. H.	180.00
32	Golden Rule	Mrs. H. L. C.	240.00
33	Davidson	Bro. G. W. Z.	120.00
36	Bruce	Mrs. J. L. P.	120.00
36	Bruce	Mrs. J. B.	216.00
48	Grayson	Mrs. G. B.	240.00
53	Nanatah	Bro. T. M. V.	45.00
53	Nanatah	Bro. J. K. I.	360.00
58	King Solomon	Mrs. J. R.	100.00
62	Melville	Bro. J. I.	108.00
62	Melville	Mrs. C. V. M.	120.00
69	Carrot River	Mrs. J. B.	420.00
76	Tisdale		90.00
78	Tugaske	Bro. J. S.	140.00
80	Connaught	Mrs. L. J. S.	300.00
84	Lanigan	Mrs. S. E. G.	225.00
88	Briercrest	Bro. A. F. A.	105.00
91	Rosetown	Bro. D. L.	120.00
92	Lodge Progress	Mrs. G. J. L.	120.00
92	Lodge Progress	Bro. P. H.	180.00
92	Lodge Progress	Mrs. J. V. A.	300.00
92	Lodge Progress	Bro. F. M. J.	120.00
95	Evergreen	Mrs. J. H.	240.00
96	Yellow Grass	Mrs. J. O.	240.00
103	Composite	Mrs. F. C.	156.00
104	King Hiram	Mrs. W. H.	180.00
104	King Hiram	Mrs. F.	252.00
114	Central Butte	Mrs. H. W. J.	270.00
118	Paragon	Mrs. S. T. Y.	75.00
118	Paragon	Mrs. W. J. B.	150.00
123	Lancer	Mrs. A. M.	180.00
123	Lancer	Mrs. H. P.	108.00
123	Lancer	Bro. W. C. M.	108.00
123	Lancer	Mrs. J. M.	108.00
124	Mount Hermon	Mrs. A. J.	162.00
125	Latomia	Mrs. A. B.	96.00
130	Togo	Bro. A. B. M.	420.00
131	Dinston	Bro. W. M.	270.00
133	Philathea	Bro. J. R.	40.00
136	St. George	Mrs. G. M.	30.00
136	St. George	Mrs. F. J. P.	315.00
141	Progressive	Mrs. B. G. F.	240.00
143	Hawarden	Mrs. A. E. B.	228.00
147	Elstow	Bro. J. M.	351.00
147	Elstow	Bro. R. A. L.	144.00
151	Viscount	Bro. A. S. M.	120.00
152	Star City	Mrs. F. M.	180.00

No.	Lodge	Benef.	Amount
154	Banner	Mrs. McG.	180.00
165	St. Lukes'	Mrs. J. G. K.	240.00
167	Preeceville	Bro. G. E. H.	360.00
172	Memorial	Mrs. W. B.	30.00
179	Kelvington	Bro. T. H. C.	336.00
182	Lonach	Mrs. L. T.	144.00
184	Osage	Bro. O. M. L.	415.00

At the meeting on March 27th, the reports from the various Lodges in receipt of grants were reviewed and the following grants passed for the year 1946-47:

No.	Lodge	Benef.	Amount
3	Moose Jaw	Mrs. P. L.	$180.00
3	Moose Jaw	Mrs. W. H.	180.00
4	Qu'Appelle Valley	Bro. A. M. R.	250.00
5	Indian Head	Mrs. E. B.	330.00
6	Qu'Appelle	Mrs. W. K. W.	90.00
6	Qu'Appelle	Mrs. E. R. D.	120.00
10	Evening Star	Mrs. E. E. E.	240.00
11	N.W.M.P.	Mrs. R. M.	240.00
12	Yorkton	Mrs. T. B.	180.00
12	Yorkton	Bro. B. C. T.	300.00
12	Yorkton	Bro. A. M. R.	180.00
13	Duck Lake	Bro. J. S.	240.00
15	Amity	Bro. T. W. C.	120.00
19	Battle	Miss E. T.	144.00
23	Britannia	Mrs. A. B.	228.00
25	Estevan	Mrs. E. H.	204.00
25	Estevan	Mrs. M. L. M.	240.00
26	Swift Current	Mrs. J. H.	180.00
32	Golden Rule	Mrs. H. L. C.	240.00
33	Davidson	Bro. G. W. Z.	120.00
36	Bruce	Mrs. J. B.	216.00
36	Bruce	Mrs. J. L. P.	120.00
48	Grayson	Mrs. G. B.	240.00
49	Assiniboia	Mrs. E. A. M.	240.00
53	Nanatah	Bro. J. K. I.	360.00
58	King Solomon	Mrs. J. R.	100.00
62	Melville	Bro. J. I.	108.00
62	Melville	Mrs. C. V. M.	120.00
69	Carrot River	Mrs. J. B.	420.00
78	Tugaske	Mrs. J. S.	100.00
80	Connaught	Mrs. L. J. S.	300.00
84	Lanigan	Mrs. S. E. G.	300.00
92	Lodge Progress	Mrs. G. J. L.	120.00
92	Lodge Progress	Mrs. J. V. A.	300.00
92	Lodge Progress	Bro. P. H.	180.00
92	Lodge Progress	Bro. F. M. J.	120 00
95	Evergreen	Mrs. J. H.	240.00
96	Yellow Grass	Mrs. J. O.	240.00
103	Composite	Mrs. F. C.	156.00
104	King Hiram	Mrs. F. F.	252.00
111	Aneroid	Bro. T. K.	90.00
114	Central Butte	Mrs. H. W. J.	270.00
118	Paragon	Mrs. S. T. Y.	175.00
123	Lancer	Mrs. H. P.	108.00
123	Lancer	Mrs. J. M.	103.00

No.	Lodge	Benef.	Amount
123	Lancer	Bro. W. C. M.	108.00
123	Lancer	Mrs. A. M.	180.00
124	Mount Hermon	Mrs. A. J.	162.00
125	Latomia	Mrs. A. B.	96.00
130	Togo	Bro. A. B. M.	420.00
131	Dinston	Bro. W. M.	360.00
133	Philathea	Bro. J. R.	40.00
136	St. George	Mrs. F. J. P.	360.00
136	St. George	Mrs. G. M.	180.00
141	Progressive	Mrs. B. G. F.	240.00
143	Hawarden	Mrs. A. E. B.	228.00
147	Elstow	Bro. J. M.	144.00
147	Elstow	Bro. R. A. L.	144.00
151	Viscount	Bro. A. S. M.	120.00
152	Star City	Mrs. F. M.	180.00
152	Star City	Mrs. M.	360.00
164	Milestone	Mrs. D. H.	240.00
165	St. Lukes'	Mrs. J. G. K.	240.00
167	Preeceville	Bro. G. E. H.	360.00
172	Memorial	Mrs. W. B.	120.00
179	Kelvington	Bro. T. H. C.	336.00
182	Lonach	Mrs. L. T.	144.00
184	Osage	Bro. O. M. L.	420.00

Motions — Pursuant to Notice

The hour having arrived for the consideration of Notices of Motion, it was moved by M.W. Bro. R. Young (1) and M.W. Bro. M. Musk (63): "That under the provisions of Section 7 of the Constitution, the rank of Past Grand Senior Warden be conferred on Brother Edwin Hubert Knowles of N.W.M.P. Lodge No. 11, for his services to Freemasonry in general and this Grand Lodge in particular."

On the motion being put it was declared carried.

It was moved by R.W. Bro. J. Jira (130) and W. Bro. W. C. Jeffery (20): "That under the provisions of Section 7 of the Constitution, the rank of Past District Deputy Grand Master be conferred on W. Bro. C. B. Mutchler of Melville Lodge No. 62 and D.D.G.M. of District No. 10 during 1941-42."

On the motion being put it was declared carried.

It was moved by R.W. Bro. H. Mackay (62) and R.W. Bro. W. L. Clink (19) that the motions as tabled at the 1945 Annual Communication of Grand Lodge and as appearing on page 107 of the 1945 Proceedings be now dealt with.

On the motion being put it was declared carried.

It was moved by R.W. Bro. H. Mackay (62) and R.W. Bro. W. L. Clink (19):

"That Section 37 (B) of the amendment as set out in Notice of Motion (8) of the Motions presented at the 1945 session of Grand Lodge and as recorded on Page 106 of the Grand Lodge Proceedings be deleted and the following substituted therefor:

"Or, alternatively that the whole motion as set out on page 105 of the Grand Lodge Proceedings and entitled 'Mode of Electing and Appointing the Officers of Grand Lodge 'as amended hereby will be moved or caused to be moved.

"37 (B) Ballots will be handed to members entitled to such on registering their attendance.

"37 (BB) At the opening of the evening session of the first day of Grand Lodge, within the Grand Lodge, and in charge of one or more of the scrutineers there shall be opened a poll to receive the votes. The poll shall close half an hour after the close of the said session."

The hour having arrived for adjournment the Grand Master declared Grand Lodge adjourned until 9.00 a.m., Thursday, June 20th.

Banquet

The Regina Masonic Council, representing the seven Regina City Lodges, arranged a banquet which was attended by some 350 Brethren. W. Brother S. C. Weaver, Wascana Lodge No. 2, acted as Chairman. The head table was graced by the presence of : M.W. Brother F. C. Hayes, Grand Master; His Honour W. Bro. R. J. M. Parker, Lieutenant-Governor of Saskatchewan; Hon. J. T. Douglas, representing the Province of Saskatchewan; His Worship, Brother T. G. McNall, Mayor of Regina; M.W. Brother M. S. Donovan, Grand Master Grand Lodge of Manitoba; M.W. Brother A. G. R. Bond, Grand Master Grand Lodge of Alberta; R. W. Brother H. B. Donnelly, Deputy Grand Master Grand Lodge of Manitoba; M.W. Brother W. B. Tate (Fifty-year Veteran); M.W. Brothers R. Young, N. B. Williams, W. M. Martin, N. R. Craig, J. W. Estey, D. Fraser, J. C. Carter; R. W. Brothers H. Mackay, Grand Senior Warden; F. C. Wilson, Grand Junior Warden; Robt. A. Tate, Grand Secretary; Bishop E. H. Knowles, Grand Chaplain; and the following Fifty-year Veterans—R.W. Brothers F. W. Martin (Maple Leaf No. 9), J. Hatton (Melfort No. 18), Wm. Potts (Wadena No. 87) and W. Bro. W. H. Kerr (Corinthian No. 72).

Greetings from the Province and City were tendered. A high-class musical programme was contributed by Mrs. Bradley and Brother Ralph Fromson and a challenging and inspirational address was delivered by Most Worshipful Brother A. G. R. Bond, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Alberta. Special honour was accorded the wearers of Saskatchewan's Fifty-year Veteran Gold Button, who attended as special guests of the Most Worshipful the Grand Master.

SECOND DAY — MORNING SESSION

Grand Lodge resumed labour at 9.00 a.m. on Thursday, June 20th; M.W. Bro. F. C. Hayes, Grand Master, on the Throne; Grand Officers, Members and Representatives present.

Nominations

In accordance with the provisions of the Constitution, the Grand Secretary declared the the following written nominations, in each case signed by a member of Grand Lodge, had been delivered to him by 10.00 p.m., Wednesday, June 19th, as provided in Section 36.

Grand Senior Warden: F. C. Wilson (163).

Grand Junior Warden: G. H. Glover (3), A. W. Gunn (68), J. A. Lackey (25), H. S. Maxwell (174), D. A. McMillan (196), W. H. Moor (16), J. Park (73), F. A. Williamson (49).

Grand Treasurer: A. C. Garner (154).

Grand Secretary: Robt. A. Tate (11).

Grand Registrar: A. S. Pipes (3).

Board of General Purposes: F. Hedley Auld (186), W. O. Fraser (39), A. Greaves (144), T. Guest (144), E. H. M. Knowles (174), T. R. Luke (12), H. S. Maxwell (174),D. A. McMillan (196), S. R. Stephens (71), J. A. Stueck (77), F. A. Williamson (49).

NOMINATIONS — BOARD OF BENEVOLENCE

The Grand Secretary announced that the following Brethren had been nominated for the Board of Benevolence: F. C. Hayes (26), W. M. Martin (2), N. B. Williams (77), R. Young (1).

Report of Credential Committee

R.W. Bro. A. S. Pipes presented the report of the Credential Committee which, on motion of R.W. Bros. A. S. Pipes and W. H. Moor, was received and adopted as follows:

To the M.W. the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.

Brethren:

Your Credential Committee have pleasure in submitting the following report at this the 40th Annual Communication of Grand Lodge.

There are 198 Lodges on the Register, of which nine have the Worshipful Master and both Wardens in attendance. There are 56 Lodges not represented. There are 74 Worshipful Masters, 63 Wardens and 252 Past Masters in attendance, a total of 389 representatives, carrying a vote of 586.

The representation is a slight increase over last year, but representation of Masters and Wardens is far below what it should be. We would suggest that this matter might be drawn to the attention of the Lodges at the District Meetings.

Fraternally submitted,

A. S. PIPES, Chairman.

Presentation — Commission Grand Representative

The Grand Master presented R.W. Brother E. H. Knowles with his Commission of Appointment as Grand Representative of the Grand Lodge of Kansas near the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan. R.W. Brother Knowles, in a few well-chosen words, accepted the Commission.

Address

R.W. Bro. H. B. Donnelly, Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, was called on and in briefly addressing Grand Lodge, expressed his personal appreciation at being present and his great pleasure for the unfailing courtesies and thoughtfulness shown him by the Saskatchewan Brethren. He particularly thanked M.W. Brother W. B. Tate, who had acted as his special host and who had been a friend for over thirty years. He stated that we speak much and think much about the great teachings of Freemasonry but possibly to most of us the greatest joy was that of the opportunity for fine fellowship provided by our Institution.

Election of Officers

The hour having arrived for the election of Officers, the Grand Master appointed M.W. Bro. A. O. Brooks; R.W. Bros. A. F. McFaull, F. B. Lewis, F. J. Truran, Wm. Leith, W. G. Robinson; V.M. Bros. A. P. MacLean, E. C. Bird; W. Bros. W. E. Rose, W. S. Arrowsmith, J. F. Bell; Bro. T. H. Purvis, scrutineers. The result of the ballot was as follows:

R.W. Bro. W. L. Clink (19).....Grand Master
R.W. Bro. H. Mackay (62).....Deputy Grand Master
R.W. Bro. F. C. Wilson (163).....Grand Senior Warden
R.W. Bro. W. H. Moor (16).....Grand Junior Warden
R.W. Bro. A. C. Garner (154).....Grand Treasurer
R.W. Bro. Robt. A. Tate (11).....Grand Secretary
R.W. Bro. A. S. Pipes (3).....Grand Registrar
V.W. Bro. T. H. Reeves (16).....Grand Tyler

BOARD OF GENERAL PURPOSES

The following Brethren were elected to the Board of General Purposes for two years: F. H. Auld (186), W. O. Fraser (39), E. H. M. Knowles (174), D. A. McMillan (196), S. R. Stephens (71), and for one year: A. Greaves (144).

BOARD OF BENEVOLENCE

The following Brethren were elected Trustees of the Benevolent Fund for the ensuing three years: F. C. Hayes (26), R. Young (1), and for two years: W. M. Martin (2).

Honourary Membership Conferred

On motion of M.W. Bros. Douglas Fraser and M. Musk, it was unanimously resolved that, pursuant to the provisions of Section 7 of the Constitution, "in recognition of eminence, ability and service rendered," there be conferred on the following Brethren the rank and distinction, namely: M.W. Brother Maurice S. Donovan, Grand Master Grand Lodge of Manitoba, and M.W. Brother Arthur G. R. Bond, Grand Master Grand Lodge of Alberta, Honourary Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan; and R.W. Brother Harry B. Donnelly, Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, Honourary Past Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan.

Recognition of Services

The Grand Master thanked Worshipful Brother H. S. Hanna, North West Mounted Police Lodge No. 11, for having so cheerfully and efficiently discharged the duties of Acting Grand Pursuivant. The Grand Master explained that the Grand Pursuivant was unable to be present and that W. Brother Hanna had accepted responsibility for the manifold duties pertaining to that office. Grand Lodge endorsed, by applause, the Grand Master's expressions of appreciation.

Motions — Pursuant to Notice

The Grand Master announced that the following motion, moved by R.W.Bros. H. Mackay and W. L. Clink immediately prior to adjournment on Wednesday, June 19th, would now be dealt with:

"That Section 37 (B) of the amendment as set out in Notice of Motion numbered (8) of the Motions presented at the 1945 session of Grand Lodge and as recorded on Page 105 of the Grand Lodge Proceedings be deleted and the following substituted therefor:

"Or, alternatively that the whole motion as set out on Page 105 of the Grand Lodge Proceedings and entitled 'Mode of Electing and Appointing the officers of Grand Lodge," as amended hereby will be moved or caused to be moved.

"37 (B) Ballots will be handed to members entitled to such on registering their attendance.

"37 (BB) At the opening of the evening session of the first day of Grand Lodge, within the Grand Lodge, and in charge of one or more of the scrutineers, there shall be opened a poll to receive the votes. The poll shall close half an hour after the close of the said session."

It was moved by V.W. Bro. M. H. Kine (83) and R.W. Bro. C. N. E. Medforth (124), that the above Notice of Motion be tabled.

On the motion to table being put it was declared carried.

It was moved by R.W. Bro. H. Mackay (62) and R.W. Bro. W. L. Clink (19):

"That the motion numbered (9) in the Notices of Motion presented at the 1945 session of Grand Lodge and as recorded on Page 107 of the Grand Lodge Proceedings and entitled 'Installation and Investiture of Officers of Grand Lodge' will be moved or caused to be moved for the consideration of Grand Lodge at its next Annual Communication."

It was moved by R.W. Bro. E. H. Clayton (48) and W. Bro. G. C. Wight (34) that the above Notice of Motion be tabled.

On the motion to table being put it was declared carried.

Regrets

On motion of R.W. Bro. A. Greaves and W. Bro. J. T. Truscott, it was resolved that this Grand Lodge express its sincere regret at the absence, through ill health, of Most Worshipful Brother James McGregor, and that we express our earnest hope for speedy and complete recovery.

On motion of R.W. Bro. G. W. S. Eisnor and W. Bro. C. W. Walker, it was resolved that Grand Lodge record its sincere appreciation of the services rendered to Freemasonry in general, and our Grand Lodge Benevolent Fund in particular, by the late Most Worshipful Brother James McCauley.

On motion of R.W. Bro. W. L. Clink and M.W. Bro. N. R. Craig it was resolved that Grand Lodge record its appreciation of the services rendered to Freemasonry by the late Most Worshipful Brother J. W. MacNeill.

Votes of Thanks

On motion of R.W. Bro. F. C. Wilson and V.W. Bro. J. A. Lackey, it was resolved that Grand Lodge express its appreciation to Brothers Staff Sgt. D. J. McCombe and Cpl. C. F. Gilhespy for having exemplified the ceremonies of the presentation of the Union Jack and Stars and Stripes in such splendid manner.

On motion of R.W. Bros. W. H. Moor and A. Greaves, it was resolved that the appreciation of Grand Lodge and a hearty vote of thanks be extended for the many kindnesses and unfailing courtesies extended by the Regina City Lodges and the Hotel Saskatchewan management.

On motion of R.W. Bro. F. C. Wilson and W. Bro. G. T. Killam, it was resolved that Grand Lodge express its appreciation for the service rendered by M.W. Bro. A. O. Brooks and his fellow scrutineers.

Telegram

The Grand Master read the following telegram from Mrs. Clink, wife of the Grand Master elect: "Please convey congratulations to Walter L. Clink on attaining the highest position in Masonry in Saskatchewan stop Best wishes for a happy and successful year stop Love from his wife and family."

Installation of Officers

All business to come before Grand Lodge having been transacted, the Grand Master called on M.W. Brother J. C. Carter to act as Installing Officer. The newly-elected Grand Master and Grand Officers were duly installed by M.W. Bro. Carter, with V.W. Bro. T. Guest discharging the duties of Grand Director of Ceremonies.

The following Brethren, selected by their respective Districts, were appointed by the M.W. the Grand Master as District Deputy Grand Masters for the ensuing year, obligated and invested:

W. Bro. R. R. McEwen, No. 1
V.W. Bro. E. S. Weeks, No. 2
W. Bro. C. M. Nixon, No. 3
W. Bro. John G. Platt, No. 4
W. Bro. J. C. K. Langford, No. 5
W. Bro. W. H. Hart, No. 6
V.W. Bro. N. S. Smith, No. 7
V.W. Bro. J. F. C. Fisher, No. 8
W. Bro. Alex Macrone, No. 9
W. Bro. G. T. Killam, No. 10
W. Bro. Allan MacIntosh, No. 11
V.W. Bro. W. H. Walker, No. 12
W. Bro. F. H. Stephens, No. 13
W. Bro. T. G. Williams, No. 14
W. Bro. J. J. Bole, No. 15
W. Bro. L. L. Lymburner, No. 16
W. Bro. N. C. Rudd, No. 17

The following Brethren were also appointed to office for the ensuing year by the M.W. the Grand Master, and were duly invested:

R.W. Bro. Bishop E. H. Knowles (11) ..... Grand Chaplain
W. Bro. Robert Harvey (99) ..... Grand Senior Deacon
W. Bro. A. G. Wheaton (115) ..... Grand Junior Deacon
W. Bro. W. A. MacNeill (19) ..... Grand D. of C.
W. Bro. H. A. Cathro (156) ..... Grand Supt. of Works
W. Bro. A. H. Pullinger (1) ..... Grand Organist
W. Bro. I. H. Pittman (181) ..... Grand Pursuivant

GRAND STEWARDS

W. Bro. George Hill (14)
W. Bro. A. H. Maguire (36)
W. Bro. John Scott (8)
W. Bro. A. B. Anderson (122)
W. Bro. J. E. Conn (157)
W. Bro. R. J. Eley (98)
W. Bro. E. D. Hawkes (113)
W. Bro. F. W. Davis (29)

The Acting Grand Director of Ceremonies proclaimed the elected and appointed officers duly installed and invested for the ensuing twelve months.

Presentation to Retiring Grand Master

M.W. Brother W. B. Tate, Dean of Past Grand Masters, on behalf of Grand Lodge, presented the retiring Grand Master, M.W. Brother F. C. Hayes, with a suitably engraved Past Grand Master's Jewel, and a set of Past Grand Master's Gauntlets, as a mark of esteem and affection and as a token of appreciation for the splendid leadership given Saskatchewan Freemasonry by Brother Hayes during his year in office.

Thanks

Most Worshipful Brother Hayes thanked M.W. Brother J. C. Carter for the efficient and dignified manner in which he had conducted the Installation and Investiture of Grand Lodge Officers.

Grand Lodge Closes

The business of Grand Lodge having been transacted, the Fortieth Annual Communication was closed in Ample Form at 12.50 p.m.

Robt. A. Tate

Grand Secretary.

In Memory

of

The Illustrious Dead

of

Sister Grand Lodges

In Memory of

James Walter MacNeill

Past Grand Master

who died, following an operation, in the City of Saskatoon, on Sunday, July 1st, 1945, at the age of 72 years.

Most Worshipful Brother MacNeill was born in 1873 in Prince Edward Island and there spent his early life. He attended Prince of Wales College, Charlottetown, and McGill University, graduating in Medicine in 1901. He first practiced medicine in New Brunswick, later moving to Hanley, Saskatchewan, where for six years he led the active life of a busy country doctor. Brother MacNeill was a member of the Saskatchewan Legislature from 1908 to 1913, resigning to become Superintendent of the Provincial Mental Hospital at Battleford.

When the Weyburn Mental Hospital was built, administration of mental institutions in the Province was centralized and Doctor MacNeill became Commissioner of Mental Hygiene for Saskatchewan. In 1941, in recognition of his outstanding public service in the treatment of mental disorders, the University of Saskatchewan conferred on him the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws.

In 1904 he married Miss Annie P. Campbell at Spring Hill, New Brunswick. He is survived by his widow; one son, Lieut. J. A. C. MacNeill, Overseas; three daughters, Mrs. James T. Cairns, North Battleford; Mrs. P. M. Lanz, Hamilton, Ontario, and Mrs. Richard H. P. Nesbitt, Saskatoon. To his loved ones we extend heartfelt sympathy and share their sorrow on his passing.

James Walter MacNeill was initiated November 26th, 1908, in Hanley Lodge No. 28, Hanley, Saskatchewan. He took his demit in December, 1913, to affiliate with Battle Lodge No. 19, Battleford, February 12th, 1914, which Lodge he served as Worshipful Master in 1917. He was granted Honorary Life Membership in Battle Lodge in 1924 and the same year affiliated with Ionic Lodge No. 31, North Battleford. He became a Life Member of Ionic Lodge in 1940. Brother MacNeill was appointed Very Worshipful Grand Steward in 1918 and was elected Grand Junior Warden in June, 1920; Grand Senior Warden in June, 1921; Deputy Grand Master in June, 1922, and installed Most Worshipful Grand Master in 1923. As a member of the Board of General Purposes of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan since 1920 he served as Chairman of the Committee on Grand Master's Address and Jurisprudence from June, 1931, to June, 1940; Chairman of the Board of Custodians of "The Work" from June, 1940, to date, and member of the Committees on Charters and Foreign Relations and Correspondence. By his consistent exercise of sane judgment and fearless decision he contributed much to the wellbeing of Saskatchewan Freemasonry.

"Again a prince has fallen in the fight,
The valorous champion of truth and right,
Determined, honest, level-headed, just,
Who broke no promise, nor betrayed a trust,
His genial face with courtly kindness beamed—
By friends beloved, by all who knew him, esteemed."

At Third Avenue United Church, North Battleford, on Thursday afternoon, July 5th, 1945, the funeral services were conducted by Rev. John L. Nicol, D.D., assisted by Rev. Harry Heathfield. The

date of the funeral coincided with the date of the Annual District Meeting of District No. 7. On the instructions of the Most Worshipful Grand Master the afternoon session of the District Meeting was "called off" to enable all Brethren to attend the emergent meeting, held under the Charter of Ionic Lodge No. 31, North Battleford. W. Bro. H. G. Sparling, Battle No. 19, assisted by W. Bro. W. L. Lidster, Ionic No. 31, acting as Senior Warden, and R.W. Bro. W. L. Clink of Battle No. 19, acting as Junior Warden, conducted the service in the Lodge room. The graveside Masonic Funeral Rites were solemnly and reverently carried out by M.W. Brother F. C. Hayes, Grand Master, assisted by M.W. Bro. James McGregor, Past Grand Master; R.W. Bro. W. L. Clink, Deputy Grand Master, and R.W. Bro. Robt. A. Tate, Grand Secretary. Twenty-four Lodges were represented by a large concourse of members.

"We die but once, and we die without distinction if we are not willing to die the death of sacrifice. Honour and distinction come only as rewards for service to mankind." In the years of his strength, our Past Grand Master so preached to others; in the silence of his last hours as death was enfolding him in its shadows he could rightly have claimed such distinction as his own. God in His Providence brought Dr. MacNeill to Saskatchewan in those shaping days when it was essential that foundations be laid deep and solid. The deep and solid Dr. MacNeill, big in mind and great in soul, turned his energies towards relieving the distresses and soothing the afflictions of his fellow humans: In the Lodge room and outside it he gave himself to the task of "raising" men physically, mentally and spiritually. For such a work as his, infinite patience is required: Dr. MacNeill had it. For such a work as his, perfect craftsmanship is necessary: Dr. MacNeill was the Master Craftsman. For such a work as his, a faith that inquires is essential. Dr. MacNeill possessed such a faith. In his greatness he was humble as every Freemason ought to be. In his attitudes towards men and affairs he kept himself within due bounds as every Freemason ought to do. In the presence of the less fortunate he lived as administrator of cheerful yesterdays and confident tomorrows as every Freemason ought to live.

On a farther shore he is now resting. His steadfast eyes, aglow with that confidence born of his own success, are appealingly fixed upon us, upon Saskatchewan the Province he knew so well, upon the Battlefords and the Institution he loved so much.

"Let us remember all he spoke among us,
And the Man who spoke;
Who never sold the truth to serve the hour
Nor palter'd with Eternal God for power;
Who let the turbid streams of rumour flow
Thro' either babbling world of high or low;
Whose life was work, whose language rife
With rugged maxims hewn from life.
He is gone who seemed so great—
Gone; but nothing can bereave him
Of the force he made his own
Being here, and we believe him
Something far advanced in State,
And that he wears a truer crown
Than any wreath that man can weave him."

As a tribute of love and affection it is ordered that this memorial be read in each Lodge of this Grand Jurisdiction at the first regular communication after its receipt, that it be spread upon the minutes, and that the Altar be draped in mourning for a period of sixty days.

(SEAL) ATTEST. FRED C. HAYES,
ROBT. A. TATE, *Grand Secretary.* *Grand Master*

In Memory of

James McCauley

Past Grand Master

who died at his home in the City of Vancouver, on Saturday, April 20th, 1946, at the age of 76 years.

Most Worshipful Brother McCauley was born on October 25th, 1869, at Ingersoll, Ontario, and there spent his early life. He came west in the spring of 1886 and worked for the Construction Department of the Canadian Pacific Railway at Donald, B.C. When the construction camp closed in the fall he went to Calgary, where he was employed in a jewelry store for the following three years. He moved to Moose Jaw in 1889 and established a jewelry and repair business. In 1891 his business was wiped out by a fire which destroyed most of the business section. He entered the service of the Canadian Pacific Railway as a freight brakeman in 1892, was promoted to freight conductor in 1896 and to passenger conductor in 1900, which position he held until he was superannuated on January 1st, 1935. He retired to Vancouver, B.C., and spent much time in making a beautiful garden.

Brother McCauley was a member of St. John's Anglican Church, Moose Jaw. He served as Master of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen, as Chief Conductor of the Order of Railway Conductors, was a member of the Kiwanis Club in Moose Jaw, and on moving to Vancouver became a member of the Canadian Pacific Social & Service Association.

In October, 1895, he married Cynthia Colenutt, who predeceased him in February, 1937. Three sons and one daughter survive, Mrs. T. Webb, Calgary; William James, Moose Jaw; Allan Russell, Vancouver; Gordon Alexander, Winnipeg, and a brother, George, Victoria. In 1938 he married Mary Bedford in Moose Jaw, who also survives him.

James McCauley was initiated May 9, 1899, in Moose Jaw Lodge No. 26, Grand Register Manitoba, and served as Worshipful Master in 1906, the year of the formation of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan. He became a Life Member of Moose Jaw Lodge No. 3, G.R.S., in 1918 and was made an Honourary Member of St. George Lodge No. 136, Moose Jaw, in 1919. Brother McCauley was appointed Very Worshipful Grand Junior Deacon in June, 1903, and served District No. 3 as D.D.G.M., 1913-14. As D.D.G.M. he instituted the Lodges at Shaunavon, Aneroid and Woodrow. He was elected Deputy Grand Master in 1916 and the following year was installed Most Worshipful Grand Master. Brother McCauley was elected to the Board of General Purposes of Grand Lodge in 1912 and thereafter served on various committees of the Board. He served as Grand Representative of the Grand Lodge of Minnesota from 1907 until 1934, when he resigned and was appointed Grand Representative of the United Grand Lodge of England, which appointment he held until his death. It was, however, as a member of the Board of Trustees of the Grand Lodge Benevolent Fund that Brother McCauley

made his greatest contribution. He was elected to the Board in 1918 and served continuously till his death, being President from June, 1919, to June, 1936. Since moving to Vancouver he made a special trip back to Saskatchewan to attend every meeting of the Board. The poet has summed up James McCauley's philosophy of life and his deep interest in the work of our Benevolent Fund in the following lines.

"If part of my little I freely give
To help those who faint by the way,
Or even pure water, so thirsty ones live,
Not thinking what will be my pay.
Whether I live in a house by the side of the road,
By mountain, by river, or vale,
I'm willing to reap the seed that I've sown,
When I reach the end of the trail."

A service was held in Vancouver on April 23rd with V.W. Bro. A. M. Sanford, D.D., Past Grand Chaplain, Grand Lodge of British Columbia, officiating, and was attended by many Masonic friends, including M.W. Bro. W. B. Tate, dean of Past Grand Masters and an intimate friend for over thirty years. Bro. Sanford, in his tribute to Bro. McCauley, said in part: "While he has gone so far as the body in concerned, he will live among us through the splendid work which he accomplished. A man may exert a wide personal influence while he lives and then eventually be forgotten. But if he has helped to build up a great Institution which will survive in influence and far-reaching activity for the good of humanity, he has achieved immortality on earth as well as in Heaven. His name may fade from the memories of men but his work will never die. Our brother, through his loyal and devoted service to Freemasonry, will live on in high ideals of character."

The body was brought home to Moose Jaw for interment, and funeral services were conducted on April 25th in St. John's Anglican Church by Rev. Canon S. Williams. The Masonic funeral service was held under the Charter of Moose Jaw Lodge No. 3 and was conducted by M.W. Bro. F. C. Hayes, Grand Master, supported by M.W. Bros. N. B. Williams, W. J. Smith, C. P. Moore, N. R. Craig, A. O. Brooks, Douglas Fraser; R.W. Bros. Robt. A. Tate, Grand Secretary; A. S. Pipes, Grand Registrar; with R.W. Bro. T. W. McPhail, P.D.D.G.M., acting as Chaplain. Our beautiful Masonic funeral rites were solemnly and reverently carried out in the presence of a large concourse of mourning Brethren and friends. The setting was perfect, a beautiful, quiet spring day, with a meadow lark intermittently trilling a sweet song throughout the ceremony.

Freemasonry mourns "Jim" McCauley and in bidding him mortal farewell, we honour the memory of a kind and loving father, a sincere Churchman and a tireless Craftsman. "Virtus junxit mors non separabit."

"Loving and kind in all his ways,
Upright and just to the end of his days,
Sincere and true in his heart and mind,
A beautiful memory he left behind."

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FRED C. HAYES,
Grand Master

(SEAL) ATTEST:

ROBT. A. TATE,
Grand Secretary

In Memory of

RIGHT WORSHIPFUL BROTHER

Harry Holden Bamford

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTER
DISTRICT No. 3, 1938
Died January 11th, 1946.

RIGHT WORSHIPFUL BROTHER

Ernest William Miller

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTER
DISTRICT No. 9, 1909
Died November 3rd, 1945

RIGHT WORSHIPFUL BROTHER

Irwin Dean

GRAND STEWARD, 1918
DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTER
DISTRICT No. 6, 1920
Died July 11th, 1945

RIGHT WORSHIPFUL BROTHER

James A. Thompson

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTER
DISTRICT No. 9, 1925
Died July 27th, 1945.

RIGHT WORSHIPFUL BROTHER

Murray H. Dickson

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTER
DISTRICT No. 13, 1921
Died March 31st, 1945.

RIGHT WORSHIPFUL BROTHER

Daniel A. Steele

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTER
DISTRICT No. 8, 1920
Died January 3rd, 1946.

In Memory of

RIGHT WORSHIPFUL BROTHER

Adam Stewart

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTER

DISTRICT No. 14, 1927

Died December 17th, 1945

RIGHT WORSHIPFUL BROTHER

Stephen Solley

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTER

DISTRICT No. 11, 1933

Died September 8th, 1945.

VERY WORSHIPFUL BROTHER

Percy Charles Town

GRAND ORGANIST, 1927

Died July 16th, 1945.

VERY WORSHIPFUL BROTHER

William Henry Ibberson

GRAND ORGANIST, 1942

Died March 6th, 1945.

VERY WORSHIPFUL BROTHER

John William Arthur Solley

GRAND STEWARD, 1931

Died May 8th, 1945.

VERY WORSHIPFUL BROTHER

Robert John Moffatt

GRAND STEWARD, 1923

Died February 12th, 1941.

VERY WORSHIPFUL BROTHER

Daniel Neelands Lindsay

GRAND JUNIOR DEACON, 1923

Died February 27th, 1945.

In Memory of

No.	Lodge	Name
1.	Kinistino	Neil McKechnie, James Hepburn, E. H. Roberts, T. J. Wootton, A. S. Stewart.
2.	Wascana	John Grills, J. C. Pope, R. H. Read, John A. Stafford.
3.	Moose Jaw	A. Broadfoot, Thomas Miller, H. H. Bamford, J. A. Merkley.
4.	Qu'Appelle Valley	E. W. Miller.
6.	Qu'Appelle	Angus Stewart.
8.	Ashlar	Percy W. Tinline, Horace H. Hunt.
9.	Maple Leaf	H. K. Diebel, Harry Gillett, John R. Reid.
11.	N.W.M.P.	N. E. Knudtson, W. R. Pottle, Robt. Goodall, T. Wilkinson.
12.	Yorkton	Fred Dean, Wm. C. Morris, T. Goulden.
14.	Sintaluta	J. C. Halford, R. R. Hart, Andrew Forsyth.
15.	Amity	James Millions, John A. Ross.
16.	Saskatchewan	William Jamieson, R. D. Munkley, F. M. Brown, P. D. Stewart, W. D. Slocombe, J. W. Rice, Wm. Todd, I. S. Melloon, M. E. Webb, T. W. Brown, E. L. Elledge, D. H. McMillan, James E. Grace.
19.	Battle	J. W. MacNeill, S. S. Quehl.
20.	Weyburn	F. L. Sleeman, J. K. Hislop, E. J. Miller.
21.	Arcola	John R. Gilstrap.
23.	Britannia	James Hawson, C. W. Hollins.
25.	Estevan	Frank Newsome, Irwin Dean, H. W. Shore.
26.	Swift Current	L. V. Graham, P. C. Town, Benjamin Levine.
27.	Alameda	Wm. H. Wilbraham.
28.	Hanley	Wm. R. Bradley.
31.	Ionic	D. L. Lindsay, Daniel Anderson, J. W. MacNeill.
33.	Davidson	Frederick F. Easter.
34.	Lang	Charles F. Cave.
35.	Prince Rupert	Alfred E. Billingsley.
40.	Rouleau	Andrew N. Burns.
41.	Drinkwater	George Strayer.
42.	Caron	James W. Grady, E. Lowe, Arthur A. Beaudreau.
43.	Ishpaming	Richard Piercy.

In Memory of

No.	Lodge	Name
45.	Aurora	John C. Hooge.
46.	Strasbourg	G. W. Mollison, John R. Fulcher.
49.	Assiniboia	G. F. Adam, E. A. Gardner, Asa C. Beach, E. A. Matthews.
50.	Golden Fleece	Vincent R. Deacon.
51.	Touchwood	John Carter.
53.	Nanatah	T. M. Vaughan, A. B. Pickering, Isaac Sherrick.
57.	Prairie	Allan Imrie, John M. Leru.
58.	King Solomon	Alfred Borland.
59.	Canora	William Johnston.
60.	Imperial	W. H. Ibberson, James H. G. Bailey, James M. Stevenson, E. L. Bender, Wm. H. Appleton, A. S. Parkin, F. W. Sheppard.
61.	Rocanville	Jas. A. Thompson, Wm. D. Walker.
62.	Melville	W. J. Hardie.
63.	Prince Albert	Samuel Pridham, R. M. Crowe, A. Langdon Stooke, A. S. Munn, Herbert W. Cooper.
64.	Manitou	Walter D. Scampton.
65.	Outlook	A. J. Vansickle.
66.	Wynyard	H. N. Wallace, Henry Gorick, Harry Leaming.
67.	Eyebrow	Charles Brown.
70.	Cypress	Harry Freeland.
71.	Doric	John S. Clark, George Morros, A. V. Rathwell.
72.	Corinthian	Thomas H. Wills.
73.	Unity	John Parker.
74.	Kilwinning	William J. Imrie.
75.	Harmony	C. A. Wheeler, F. B. Richardson.
76.	Tisdale	Alexander Venn.
77.	Abernethy	H. J. Jamieson, David Ranson, A. A. Hunt.
78.	Tugaske	James Stoddart.
81.	Tuscan	George A. Lewis, Russell Hodgins.
84.	Lanigan	David L. Ross, M. McConnell, Alfred Bates.
86.	Kindersley	J. J. Adams, G. L. Pfeiffer, P. A. Leach.
87.	Wadena	John O. Lewis, George H. Bridgman.
89.	Twin City	H. J. Beveridge, J. N. Barraclough, Richard Taylor.
91.	Rosetown	Wm. M. Spence, Gilbert F. Williams, D. Lawrence.
92.	Lodge Progress	Robert Cassels, George H. Shippen.

In Memory of

No.	Lodge	Name
93.	Morse	James Elliott, Wm. O. Kerr, John E. McFadyen, Geo. W. Candler.
94.	Maryfield	John Simpson.
96.	Yellow Grass	William I. Morrison.
100.	Biggar	M. H. Dickson, L. A. Corscadden, N. T. Saunders.
101.	Acacia	Thomas Domaille, Arthur L. Suggitt, Wm. P. Allen, Wm. B. Kelly.
102.	Invermay	James B. Martin.
103.	Composite	James J. Page, Daniel Steele.
104.	King Hiram	James Abbott, Wm. M. Hay.
105.	Gothic	Ole Eidem, J. R. Black.
106.	St. John's	Bernard E. Mason.
108.	Long Lake	Manfred Klauderman.
110.	Shaunavon	Wm. J. Hawkins, Wm. C. Beeson, Wm. D. Jenkins, M. L. Fairchild.
111.	Aneroid	William M. Phalen.
112.	Woodrow	L. J. Hatlelid, R. G. Lowry, Adam Stewart.
115.	Landis	James Braithwaite.
118.	Paragon	Samuel T. Young.
120.	Ogema	A. E. J. Hill.
122.	Azure	Harry C. Tyner.
123.	Lancer	Richard Billingsley, J. W. A. Solley, Stephen Solley, James Miller.
124.	Mount Hermon	Gordon R. Mitchell.
126.	Cadillac	Arthur H. Driver.
128.	Meyronne	Walter J. Armstrong.
130.	Togo	Robt. A. Guiness, Gibson B. Brown.
131.	Dinston	Thomas J. Lawrence.
134.	Eston	Raymond Parker.
136.	St. George	Herbert S. Hollingsworth.
138.	Kincaid	Richard T. Martin.
141.	Progressive	Wm. Evans, C. J. Elms.
142.	Leader	David Blehm, G. MacDonald, A. Donecker.
143.	Hawarden	Ernest V. McKee, Joseph W. Edgar.
144.	Victory	Charles T. Meggs, Robt. W. Lindsay.
147.	Elstow	R. J. Moffatt, Elmer H. Weeger, Peter Stewart.
148.	Dunblane	John C. Metcalf.
150.	Wawota	John E. D. McCord.
152.	Star City	George Hill.
154.	Banner	John H. Evans, Thomas A. Woods, Roy Eley, S. H. Greenwood.
156.	Avonlea	Robt. M. Armstrong.
161.	Welwyn	Joseph Richards.

In Memory of

No.	Lodge	Name
164.	Milestone	Delbert Hiles.
165.	St. Luke's	Robert C. Corneil.
166.	Wakaw	Clarence K. Henry.
169.	Quill Lake	Arthur W. Butler.
170.	Sharon	Gustav Vanberg.
172.	Memorial	Henry D. Pickett, Alfred L. Stooke.
174.	St. Andrew's	H. K. Livingston, M. R. McLeod, Thos. Miller, John W. McNiell, George H. McKay.
177.	Verwood	Gerald A. Devlin.
178.	Norquay	James S. Abray.
188.	Glenedyth	Percy J. Stephens.
189.	Herschel	Henry M. Cargill.
192.	Sovereign	William Gellatly.
193.	Mazenod	Walter M. Parker.
196.	Lacadena	Joseph H. Reed.
197.	Chaplin	William C. Aikins.
199.	Admiral	Oscar C. Christofferson.

STATISTICAL TABLE——

	No. of Lodge	Per Capita Membership, March, 1945	Initiated	Affiliated	Reinstated	Demitted	Suspended	Deaths	Com. L. Mbrs.	Per Capita Membership, March, 1946.	Com. L. Mbrs.	Total Membership	Meetings Held Regular	Meetings Held Emergent	Average Attendance
Kinistino	1	134	9	2	2	6	1	3	1	136	33	169	10	16	34
Wascana	2	194	9	2	1	2	2	3	2	197	44	241	10	9	36
Moose Jaw	3	303	12	3	1	3		4		312	14	326	10	11	39
Qu'Appelle Valley	4	47	3	2	1	1			3	49	14	63	13	5	21
Indian Head	5	103	10	3		1			1	114	1	115	12	9	31
Qu'Appelle	6	39	1	1	1		2	1		39	10	49	12	3	14
Moosomin	7	68	3						1	70	18	88	12	2	17
Ashlar	8	42	9					2	1	48	3	51	12	6	15
Maple Leaf	9	67	9	3		2		3		74		74	11	5	25
Evening Star	10	49	2	1						52	7	59	10	6	14
N.W.M.P.	11	237	18	11	2	5	1	2	2	258	49	307	10	13	58
Yorkton	12	106	10	5	1	2		3	3	114	9	123	11	9	46
Duck Lake	13	22								22	2	24	6		7
Sintaluta	14	48	6	1				3		52		52	11	4	16
Amity	15	24	8	1		1			2	30	29	59	11	8	14
Saskatchewan	16	283	33	11	1	2		7	1	318	50	368	10	38	37
Carlyle	17	42	6	2		1			2	47	6	53	8	2	
Melfort	18	97	14	4	2	1		1		115	15	130	12	13	22
Battle	19	60	4	1					1	64	17	81	10	5	25
Weyburn	20	85	29	4	4	1		3		118	1	119	10	24	28
Arcola	21	46	6							52	4	56	6	4	15
Rosthern	22	36				1			1	34	1	35	8		10
Britannia	23	60	7	1		4	3	1	1	59	6	65	12	2	10
Wolseley	24	35	6		1	3				39	2	41	9		14
Estevan	25	81	2	1	1	5	1		2	76	35	111	10	1	24
Swift Current	26	118	20	2	5	3		2	1	139	10	149	10	12	44
Alameda	27	23	6			2		1		26	3	29	12		13
Hanley	28	52		3		2		1		52	4	56	10	2	13
Heward	29	21					1			20	6	26	3	2	9
New Hope	30	37	3	1						41	3	44	9	2	9
Ionic	31	118	6	2	1	3	1	1	5	117	47	164	10	9	29
Golden Rule	32	34	7	1	2	1				43	4	47	11	4	15
Davidson	33	78	7	1		2		1	1	82	6	88	10	2	21
Lang	34	48	4	1	1			1		53		53	11		15
Prince Rupert	35	52	6	4		5		1		56	32	88	10	1	12
Bruce	36	46	6			3				49	1	50	6		9
Wapella	37	42	3	1	1	2				45	2	47	12	1	11
Ekapo	38	41	7	1		2			1	46	6	52	11	5	13
Boscurvis	39	43	5			3				45	4	49	10	2	16
Rouleau	40	65	7						2	70	26	96	10	1	23
Drinkwater	41	64	4					1	1	66	5	71	11	2	21
Caron	42	77	2			2		2		75	6	81	12	2	27
Ishpaming	43	30			1			1		30	2	32	11	3	12
Landmark	44	76	5	1		1				81	6	87	10	2	25
Aurora	45	36	1					1		36	2	38	11	4	31
Strasbourg	46	30	4	2		1		1	1	33	10	43	11	6	15
Cupar	47	34				2				32	1	33	9	1	12
Grayson	48	32		1					1	32	9	41	10		7
Assiniboia	49	225	17	6	2	5		4	1	240	20	260	10	17	44
Golden Fleece	50	46	7			1			1	51	3	54	10	2	21

——CONSTITUENT LODGES

Amount Paid for Local Relief	Mbrs. 12 months in Arrears	Total Arrearages	Cash on Hand	Assets	Liabilities	Insurance in Force	No. Visits by D.D.G.M.	Does Lodge own its own Hall?
172.86	27	292.00	2,430.70	6,772.70	88.00	2,000.00	2	No
	25	315.00	2,175.41	15,835.41	443.62		1	Pt.
	18	106.50	1,242.97	78,154.35	354.74	500.00	1	Yes
75.00	8	80.00	521.45	7,290.45		2,500.00	2	Yes
30.00	6	39.00	493.47	1,307.47		500.00	1	No
45.00	8	68.00	368.69	4,656.69	24.00	2,500.00	1	Yes
	12	214.00	76.50	853.43		1,000.00	1	No
	2	21.00	257.51	3,778.51		2,500 00	1	Yes
			154.54	1,250.00		1,000.00	1	No
42.00	12	102.00	100.12	469.87		500.00	1	No
104.22	18	181.50	814.68	14,290.76	676.00	250.00	1	Pt.
127.00	24	184.60	668.17	4,653.17	55.00	200 00	1	No
	5	36.00	124.18	1,010.18	72.00	400 00	1	No
	13	254.00	300.00	2,604.00	6.00	2,700.00	1	Pt.
			79.12	654.12	26.05	400.00	1	No
259.15	62	603.70	2,208.70	10,387.59	441.30	400.00	1	Pt.
							1	No
	6	150.00	468.29	5,687.02		2,325.00	1	Yes
46.00	5	90.00	299.07	1,382.07		500.00	1	No
	15	160.00	579.30	8,479.30	65.00	12,750.00	1	Pt.
	14	80.00	327.02	977.02	53.00	500.00	1	No
			76.79	4,548.39	478.70	2,900.00	2	Yes
	11	83.48	416.19	4,549.67		2,750.00	2	Yes
	8	152.00	21.33	927.33		250.00	1	No
202.01	5	40.00	146.40	1,536.40	120.00	700.00	2	No
18.00	24	14.22	2,212.08	11,992.38	2,454.64	6,000.00	1	Yes
	1	6.00	259.00	375.00	15.44		1	No
	4	20.00	258.91	2,278.91		800.00	1	No
	5	44.00	38.88	1,158.88	52.00	800.00	1	Yes
	10	102.00	180.93	1,003.93	32.00	200.00	1	No
	11	119.00	649.43	8,778.65	40.00	900.00	1	No
	2	14.00	592.31	1,122.31	112.00	300.00	1	No
25.00	25	282.05	283.94	1,175.94	224.00	500.00	1	No
	1	4.00	38.74	1,777.74	72.00	750.00	1	Yes
	11	210.00	591.04	4,632.04	12.50	3,500 00	1	Yes
	6	62.00	662.67	1,302.67	55.00	300.00	2	No
	4	24.00	803.54	2,553.54	1,500.00	2,700.00	2	Yes
	4	36.00	410.00	2,734.00	36.00	1,500.00	1	Yes
		201.25	98.14	1,331.39	38.00	600.00	1	No
	13	210.00	505.80	5,342.10	5.00	2,900.00	1	Yes
	19	181.00	506.16	2,061.16	12.00	1,400.00	1	Yes
	11	120.00	179.29	3,030.29	160.00	1,500.00	1	Yes
	5	45.00	81.39	978.89	337.00	1,000.00	1	Yes
	18	162.00	166.17	4,607.17		3,300.00	1	Yes
	7	250.00	115.19	465.19		300.00	1	Yes
	1	10.00	176.52	734.02	204.25	600.00	1	No
	6	186.00	150.26	3,696.26		2,550.00	1	Yes
	19	800.00	234.30	784.30			1	No
	36	383.25	1,039.95	12,518.20	604.75	200.00	1	Pt.
	21	560.00	167.56	2,262.56	49.44	1,300.00	1	Yes

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Touchwood	51	30	5			1			1	33	7	40	10	4	14
Border	52	28	4							32		32	10	8	20
Nanatah	53	70	3					3		70	7	77	12	2	23
Buchanan	54	23								23	7	30	6		14
Craik	55	55	2			1				56		56	12	1	22
Elbow View	56	19		4		1				22	1	23	5	1	6
Prairie	57	66	1		1	5		3		60	5	65	9	2	16
King Solomon	58	53	4		1					58	21	79	12	2	29
Canora	59	36	3	1		3			1	36	10	46	11	1	27
Imperial	60	175	8	3	3	3		3		183	33	216	10	21	28
Rocanville	61	28	5			1		1		31	8	39	11	3	16
Melville	62	118	16	2	2	2	2		2	132	18	150	11	13	41
Prince Albert	63	139	12	7	1	5		5		149	21	170	11	11	32
Manitou	64	65	2			3	1	1		62	12	74	10	1	15
Outlook	65	38	2		2	1		1		40	1	41	11	1	20
Wynyard	66	60	6		1	2		3	1	61	7	68	14	5	20
Eyebrow	67	23	6		1			1		29	13	42	9	2	8
Govan	68	45	5			1	2			47	16	63	11	3	15
Carrot River	69	70	9	1						80		80	12	2	22
Cypress	70	62	2	1		2		1	3	59	11	70	10	2	35
Doric	71	105	8	1	2	3		3	2	108	15	123	10	10	29
Corinthian	72	59	5	1				1	1	63	11	74	10	3	22
Unity	73	72	2	2	1	1				76	3	79	11	1	22
Kilwinning	74	32	2					1		33	8	41	8	1	14
Harmony	75	38	2	1	2			2	1	40	5	45	12	3	18
Tisdale	76	119	1	2				1		121	8	129	11	3	30
Abernethy	77	78	1				2	1	1	75	6	81	13	3	30
Tugaske	78	55	1			2		1	1	52	3	55	13		17
Foam Lake	79	45	1			4				42		42	11	1	13
Connaught	80	26	5	1		1				31	4	35	9		17
Tuscan	81	34	7	2	2	1		2		42	1	43	13	3	18
Victoria	82	62	7		1	1			1	68	7	75	12	2	17
Meridian	83	36	3							39	8	47	12	5	13
Lanigan	84	40	5	2		1	2	1		43	12	55	12	7	16
Zealandia	85	38	1		1					40	5	45	10	3	18
Kindersley	86	102	18	3	1	3		3	1	117	12	129	12	10	29
Wadena	87	38	12			1		2		47		47	12	7	18
Briercrest	88	28	7	1		1	1		2	32	5	37	11	1	14
Twin City	89	74	3	1	1	1		2		76	10	86	10	6	14
Kerrobert	90	96	2	1	1	1			1	98	11	109	9	3	27
Rosetown	91	94	3	7	1	2		2		101	23	124	12	4	23
Lodge Progress	92	285	20	5	2	5		2		305	5	310	10	29	45
Morse	93	43	3					6	1	39	8	47	10	2	16
Maryfield	94	35	3	1		1		1		37	3	40	9	2	12
Evergreen	95	41	4							45	4	49	12	7	17
Yellow Grass	96	50	5	2		1		1		55		55	12	4	22
Radisson	97	38	3	1						42	11	53	12	3	17
Union	98	42	3	3		1				47	6	53	12		14
Goose Lake	99	42	9			1				50	5	55	12	4	14
Biggar	100	116	6	2		1		2		121	4	125	12	3	25

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	1	30.00	527.52	1,027.52	17.64	450.00	2	No
	32	102.50	360.25	582.75	15.00		1	No
75.00	9	55.00	287.58	5,654.58	5.00	1,300.00	1	Yes
	6.	144.00	6.90	1,731.90		1,000.00	1	Yes
	4	29.00	698.02	3,992.04	225.27	2,100.00	1	Yes
	3	25.00	78.11	953.11	10.00	400.00	1	No
	10	96.00	89.79	3,117.79		1,500.00	1	Yes
53.00	12	120.00	179.02	7,831.75	76.25	3,500.00	1	Yes
	8	57.53	320.78	2,355.78		1,500.00	1	Yes
153.00	47	597.00	639.89	7,083.45	425.48	300.00	1	Pt.
	3	48.00	140.08	941.18	85.20	150.00	1	No
72.00	5	50.00	668.74	8,505.76	1,543.52	5,000.00	1	Yes
50.00	32	375.00	653.83	4,844.06		2,000.00	1	No
	14	110.29	387.22	3,347.51	115.28	750.00	1	No
	9	74.00	40.85	1,914.85	20.00	700.00	2	Yes
			436.82	5,486.82		1,000.00	2	No
	4	42.00	284.41	3,388.41	28.16	500.00	2	No
	11	188.00	162.27	8,674.97	721.92	6,750.00	1	Yes
	32	1,262.50	320.88	5,806.38	25.00	3,000.00	1	Yes
10.00	22	13.59	396.03	7,011.03	360.00	3,900.00	1	Yes
25.00	24	274.50	46.48	1,960.00		400.00	1	No
	9	105.00	423.51	1,707.01	133.00	750.00	1	No
	18	402.00	175.70	937.70	88.61	250.00	1	No
	5	68.37	10.29	378.66		450.00	1	No
	5	35.00	416.97	851.94	103.00	300.00	1	No
60.00	14	120.00	48.80	5,288.80	152.00	3,425.00	1	Yes
	8	105.00	299.55	1,454.55	217.10	350.00	1	No
170.40	3	18.00	168.87	3,258.17	150.00	2,500.00	1	Yes
	5	78.00	224.67	1,784.88	85.15	200.00	1	No
	3	12.00	728.15	1,440.15		400.00	1	No
	9	170.15	357.50	1,042.65	10.00	500.00	2	No
	16	7.00	338.29	4,083.29	60.00	2,000.00	1	Yes
	5	110.00	401.38	2,433.36	2.00	1,500.00	1	Yes
56.50	3	30.00	164.29	1,244.29		500.00	1	No
	6	4.92	331.73	4,952.33		3,100.00	1	Yes
	12	16.00	827.99	8,112.96	40.00	9,000.00	1	Yes
	9	108.00	200.00	1,078.00		1,000.00	1	No
	10	67.75	582.24	2,542.99	1,600.00	1,600.00	1	Yes
	5	80.00	1,077.97	3,345.97	160.33	225.00	1	Yes
	30	233.00	12.96	9,514.36	193.21	4,900.00	1	Yes
	8	9.38	550.49	6,976.91	2,295.00	6,800.00	1	Yes
625.00	38	450.05	1,961.00	13,435.63	460.40	2,800.00	1	Pt.
	8	20.00	376.34	4,901.34	605.00	4,000.00	1	Yes
	10	101.50	223.13	509.63		300.00	1	No
400.00	11	82.60	166.64	5,525.00	1,365.00	2,000.00	1	Yes
	7	96.00	744.96	2,118.96	112.00	1,200.00	1	Yes
10.00	3	29.00	195.26	1,530.26		250.00	1	No
	11	109.25	91.82	708.89	100.00	400.00	1	No
	5	60.00	200.00	560.00	68.00	200.00	1	No
200.00	13	156.00	479.85	4,757.85	154.51	3,000.00	1	Yes

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Acacia	101	61	4		2	6	2	4		55	5	60	10	1	20
Invermay	102	23			1			1		23	1	24	12	2	10
Composite	103	26	5					1		30	7	37	11	2	13
King Hiram	104	191	16	1	1	3		3	2	201	24	225	10	12	35
Gothic	105	52	2			2		2		50	2	52	12	3	16
St. John's	106	96	7	7		2		1	1	106	12	118	11	8	30
Mortlach	107	51	5			1			1	54	6	60	11	3	18
Long Lake	108	59	5			1			1	61	4	65	9	5	19
Limerick	109	57	10							67		67	12	1	22
Shaunavon	110	103	1	1	3	5	6	2		95	15	110	10	2	19
Aneroid	111	63	6	1	2	5		1	1	65	2	67	12	3	17
Woodrow	112	76	9	1	2	14		2		72	11	83	12	6	30
Broderick	113	34	2							36	1	37	10		11
Central Butte	114	60	2	1		1			1	61	1	62	12	2	15
Landis	115	26	3	1				1		29		29	11	3	13
Ceylon	116	30	1		1					32		32	9		10
Dundurn	117	28	4			1				31	2	33	10	1	12
Paragon	118	40	1		2		3	1		39		39	7	2	11
Cabri	119	98	6			1	3	1		99		99	13	3	54
Ogema	120	34	2		1	1		1		35	4	39	10	5	10
Simpson	121	42	3							45	1	46	10		14
Azure	122	67	5					1	1	70	11	81	12	5	26
Lancer	123	55	2			2		3		52	2	54	6	2	28
Mount Hermon	124	69				1		1		67	1	68			
Latomia	125	85	12			2				95	2	97	10	7	26
Cadillac	126	26	2		1	2		1	1	25	1	26	9		8
Birch Hills	127	46	3	1		3			2	45	2	47	12	3	19
Meyronne	128	47	5	1		5		1		47		47	11	3	17
Mossbank	129	47	5						1	51	1	52	12	2	11
Togo	130	39	2			1		2		38	1	39	11	1	12
Dinston	131	68	8	1		1			1	75	3	78	12	6	26
Conquest	132	34	5		1				1	39	3	42	11	1	22
Philathea	133	56	1			1	1			55	1	56	12	3	17
Eston	134	112	5	3		5		1		114	1	115	11	6	24
Elrose	135	51	7	2					1	59	6	65	12	2	24
St. George	136	163	14	3	1	3	2	1	3	172	13	185	10	11	39
Tyrian	137	33	3		2	1	2		2	33	3	36	11		11
Kincaid	138	64	5		2		1			70	5	75	12	1	17
Riverhurst	139	31	3	1	1	2				34	2	36	10		13
Sceptre	140	31	1	1		1				32		32	12		13
Progressive	141	57	6		1	1		3		60	1	61	11	2	27
Leader	142	61	1	1				3		60	4	64	10	1	15
Hawarden	143	35	2	2	1	1		2		37		37	13	1	15
Victory	144	175	17	2	2	4		2	3	187	11	198	10	18	28
Elfros	145	45	3	1		2				47		47	12	2	17
Asquith	146	35	3			3			1	34	2	36	11	3	14
Elstow	147	52	3	1		1		3	1	51	5	56	7	2	23
Dunblane	148	42	1			2		1		40	1	41	6	2	10
Loverna	149	36	4	1		2				39		39	12		14
Wawota	150	25	1			1		1		24	1	25	8	1	11

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	6	88.00	288.60	3,452.60	164.00	2,000.00	1	Yes
	5	59.00	150.97	3,575.97		1,200.00	1	Yes
24.00	4	42.00	152.33	1,879.41	136.00	450.00	1	No
243.81	34	349.60	1,139.50	12,024.88	328.00	500.00	1	Pt.
200.00	6	31.00	431.03	5,293.38	97.73	3,400.00	1	Yes
	6	41.50	264.56	5,746.56	218.00	40.00	1	No
	17	226.50	159.09	2,938.09	67.00	600.00	1	No
	12	133.00	241.92	2,560.10	210.00	2,100.00	1	Yes
	8	190.00	190.88	1,205.88		500.00	1	No
62.56	15	209.65	174.23	8,139.07	56.25	1,000.00	2	No
25.00	8	40.00	228.31	2,793.31	55.00	400.00	1	No
	7	42.00	1,088.61	2,030.61		350.00	1	No
	3	15.00	44.57	2,374.57	18.69	1,700.00	1	Yes
30.00	13	77.00	388.42	3,825.42	68.00	2,500.00	2	Yes
	3	35.75	209.12	1,167.87	10.00	300.00	1	No
	7	66.50	180.32	1,846.82		1,200.00	1	Pt.
	8	185.00	280.00	783.00	60.00	200.00	1	No
60.00	2	18.00	92.00	1,348.00	50.00	200.00	1	No
	4	7.50	234.14	2,514.14	48.00	500.00	1	No
			301.93	4,076.93	253.73	2,250.00	1	Yes
50.00	5	35.75	486.14	921.89	161.30	250.00	1	No
	10	136.00	66.22	4,502.22		3,100.00	1	Yes
60.00			229.06	2,941.06		1,200.00	1	Yes
	16	145.00	380.28	4,965.28	105.00	3,050.00	2	Pt.
	4	56.60	256.83	1,573.43	336.85	200.00	1	No
	9	161.00	800.87	2,270.87	182.97	400.00	1	No
	7	42.00	394.31	936.31		150.00	1	No
	10	100.00	516.08	2,516.08		2,000.00	1	Yes
30.00	1	4.00	274.04	1,578.04	79.09	1,300.00	1	Yes
170.00			396.73	3,658.73	112.50	2,750.00	2	Yes
	2	14.00	335.00	575.00	125.00	500.00	2	No
	17	150.00	10.23	3,935.23	14.00	1,600.00	1	Yes
	24	8.95	575.63	8,975.38	120.00	12,800.00	1	Yes
	3	5.00	323.42	4,138.42	220.00	2,200.00	1	Yes
20.00	23	243.00	377.92	3,030.56	145.00	300.00	3	No
	7	100.00	291.47	1,961.47	5.00	2,000.00	1	Yes
	18	168.00	535.27	1,935.27		250.00	1	No
			102.06	3,606.06	25.50	1,500.00	1	Yes
	10	14.50	93.00	3,015.73	50.00	3,300.00	1	Yes
65.00	14	39.29	310.71	2,550.71		1,800.00	1	Yes
175.00	24	15.81	172.52	5,127.02		4,500.00	1	Yes
	2	54.00	127.31	2,511.81	300.00	1,900.00	1	Yes
	38	404.00	675.00	2,499.38	327.59	500.00	1	Pt.
	1	8.00	75.69	3,536.69		2,250.00	1	Yes
	2	15.00	251.00	1,213.00		300.00	1	No
96.00	9	185.00	67.00	1,433.00	134.00		1	No
	2	54.00	116.28	2,378.28		925.00	1	Yes
	5	24.75	181.66	1,031.41	105.62	200.00	1	No
			233.00	434.00		250.00	1	No

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Viscount.....151	40	2			1				41	2	43	7	1	10
Star City.....152	47	2			1		1	1	46	4	50	13	4	17
Banner.....154	216	5	2	2	2	4	3	2	214	23	237	10	15	40
Raymore.....155	24	3							27		27	12		10
Avonlea.....156	36	7	1		1				43	2	45	11	2	14
York.....157	27	2	1		1				29	2	31	7	1	20
Borden.....158	54	4			1				57	4	61	13	2	20
Cut Knife.....160	40		1	1	2				40		40	12	1	12
Welwyn.....161	18	3	2		1	1	1	1	19	1	20	11	1	8
Saltcoats.....162	16	2	2		1				19		19	10	2	11
Fillmore.....163	37	1	1	1	1				39	1	40	9		
Milestone.....164	44	4		3	5		1		45	1	46	11	1	22
St. Luke's.....165	57	9	1		1		1	1	64	3	67	12	6	22
Wakaw 166	35	6			1		1		39		39	12	1	12
Preeceville.....167	32	6	1						39	4	43	12	5	19
Earl Grey.....168	33	6							39	2	41	11	10	14
Quill Lake.....169	34	2		1	3		1		33		33	7	3	9
Sharon.....170	35	2			2		1		34	2	36	10	3	12
Shellbrook..... 171	62	4			1				65	3	68	12	7	24
Memorial..... 172	70	6		1	3		2		72	3	75	10	4	18
Lakeview.....173	33	7	1		1				40		40	12	2	19
St. Andrew's.....174	192	32	16	3	3	1	5	1	233	3	236	10	18	52
Radville.....175	46	2	1		1				48	3	51	10	2	15
Gray.....176	43	6			1				48	1	49	11	3	20
Verwood.....177	57	12		1	2	1	1	1	65	1	66	10	3	19
Norquay.....178	37				2	4	1		30		30	2	1	16
Kelvington.....179	30				3				27		27	2		6
Herbert.....180	31	10			2	2		1	36	1	37	10	2	15
Tuberose.....181	44	4	1		1			2	46	2	48	11	1	18
Lonach.....182	34		1	1	1				35	2	37	12		16
Nipawin.....183	62	7			2			1	66	1	67	13	2	22
Osage.....184	32	1			2				31	1	32	6		
Loyalty.....185	29	5			2				32	2	34	12	1	14
Emulation.....186	83	3		1	4				83	1	84	10	4	19
Lucky Lake.....187	26								26		26	10		8
Glenedyth.....188	57	4			1		1		59		59	12	2	15
Herschel.....189	34	1			1				34	2	36	10	7	12
Turtleford.....190	41	3			3				41		41	11	1	12
Macrorie.....191	22	4			1				25		25	12	2	15
Sovereign.....192	42	3					1		44		44	10	5	19
Mazenod 193	35	4			1		1	1	36	1	37	12	3	17
Vanguard. 194	31	10			1				40		40	11		16
Pleasantdale.....195	28	1	1						30		30	8	1	11
Lacadena.....196	58	7	2						67	1	68	12	6	27
Chaplin.....197	33	3					1		35		35	12	3	14
Colfax.....198	39	1					2	1	37	1	38	12	4	16
Admiral.....199	25	3			1		1		26		26	9	1	9
Hudson Bay.....200	37	2	2		2				39		39	10	1	24
Glentworth.....201	15	4	1						20		20			

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	12	180.00	70.18	2,984.18		1,900.00	1	Yes
135.00	14	197.50	624.00	5,091.50		2,800.00	1	Yes
60.00	48	487.00	1,527.49	14,614.49	724.06	250.00	1	Pt.
	1	32.00	130.03	1,245.03	574.00	1,200.00	1	Yes
	2	24.00	135.88	4,209.88	642.00	3,000.00	1	Yes
50.00	1	8.00	527.64	775.64		300.00	1	No
	13	200.00	539.27	2,489.27	50.00	1,800.00	1	Yes
	12	272.50	61.79	1,402.99	65.00	250.00	1	No
	2	15.00	137.65	277.65		150.00	1	No
			26.00	1,816.00		1,600.00	1	Yes
	9	70.00	213.16	653.16	5.00	400.00	1	No
	5	70.00	544.85	4,829.85	2,252.50	3,000.00	1	Yes
100.00	9	192.00	739.86	1,400.41	44.00	300.00	1	No
	5	100.00	85.47	1,335.47		400.00	1	No
70.00	1	7.00	191.09	3,158.09		1,600.00	1	Yes
	5	116.00	131.19	1,647.19		1,500.00	1	Yes
46.10			302.63	1,952.63		400.00	1	No
	8	113.00	49.54	2,612.54	50.00	2,465.00	2	Yes
54.52	5	59.00	213.44	1,957.19		1,000.00	1	No
25.00	21	210.00	1,094.82	2,609.82	197.25	300.00	1	No
	9	38.75	60.89	774.00	5.00	250.00	1	No
	41	579.00	1,001.90	12,231.90	3,480.00	350.00	1	Pt.
34.46	3	32.00	251.09	1,462.19	96.00	300.00	1	No
	7	54.00	712.23	2,896.23		1,500.00	1	Yes
	14	130.50	188.16	1,499.66	15.00	750.00	1	No
	11	210.00	19.09	2,341.77	241.16	1,500.00	1	Yes
24.00	6	92.00	33.47	527.47	24.00	250.00	1	No
66.00	4	21.00	101.65	545.65	30.00	300.00	1	No
	6	10.83	297.88	4,212.88		3,150.00	1	Yes
36.00	1	20.00	185.61	2,235.61	156.00	1,800.00	1	Yes
	14	320.00	315.44	4,265.44	70.00	300.00	1	No
24.00	5	123.00	256.63	1,079.63		300.00	1	No
	3	40.00	210.82	1,050.82		200.00	1	No
	22	514.50	407.08	10,921.58	4,002.00	200.00	1	Pt.
			244.00	1,842.00	96.00	240.00	1	No
47.00	14	300.00	363.44	1,288.44		200.00	1	No
4.50	4	8.00	387.52	1,019.52	36.00	400.00	1	No
	4	45.00	24.47	2,059.47	8.00	200.00	2	No
	2	15.00	193.52	913.07		300.00	1	No
	2	20.00	623.19	5,543.19		2,500.00	1	Yes
			144.26	2,259.26		1,200.00	2	Yes
	2	20.00	102.98	1,052.78	20.00	250.00	2	No
	5	90.00	213.29	623.29	61.67	350.00	1	No
	2	8.00	174.23	1,933.77	218.00	200.00	1	No
	1	8.00	340.20	2,142.24		900.00	1	Yes
	1	33.00	555.65	588.65	78.05	1,500.00	1	Yes
	4	86.00	441.74	1,477.74	6.00	1,430.00	2	Yes
	3	12.00	303.58	865.58			1	No

OFFICERS OF GRAND LODGE

Elected at its foundation, August, 1906, and annually since.

Year	G.M.	D.G.M.	G.S.W.	G.J.W.	G. Treas.	G. Sec'y.	Gr. Regist.
1906—	*H. H. Campkin	*C. O. Davidson	*H. Jagger	W. B. Tate	*A. Shepphard	*J. M. Shaw	*A. H. Smith
1907—	*H. H. Campkin	*C. O. Davidson	*H. Jagger	W. B. Tate	*A. Shepphard	*J. M. Shaw	*A. H. Smith
1908—	*C. O. Davidson	*H. Jagger	W. B. Tate	*J. McGuirl	*A. Shepphard	*J. M. Shaw	*H. C. Lisle
1909—	*H. Jagger	W. B. Tate	*Wm. Hopkins	*J. McGuirl	*A. Shepphard	*J. M. Shaw	*A. C. Patterson
1910—	W. B. Tate	*Wm. Hopkins	*A. S. Gorrell	*W. B. Willoughby	*A. Shepphard	*J. M. Shaw	*F. S. Proctor.
1911—	*Wm. Hopkins	*A. S. Gorrell	*W. B. Willoughby	*L. T. McDonald	*A. Shepphard	*J. M. Shaw	*D. P. Kennedy
1912—	*A. S. Gorrell	*W. B. Willoughby	*L. T. McDonald	*W. M. Thomson	*A. Shepphard	*J. M. Shaw	*F. B. Reilly
1913—	*W. B. Willoughby	*L. T. McDonald	*W. M. Thomson	*J. H. Anderson	*A. Shepphard	*J. M. Shaw	*F. B. Reilly
1914—	*L. T. McDonald	*W. M. Thomson	*J. H. Anderson	*J. Montgomery	*A. Shepphard	*J. M. Shaw	*F. B. Reilly
1915—	*W. M. Thomson	*J. H. Anderson	R. Young	C. Stewart	*A. Shepphard	W. B. Tate	*F. B. Reilly
1916—	*J. H. Anderson	*J. McCauley	R. Young	N. B. Williams	*A. Shepphard	W. B. Tate	*F. B. Reilly
1917—	*J. McCauley	R. Young	N. B. Williams	*E. L. Elwood	*A. Shepphard	W. B. Tate	*F. B. Reilly
1918—	R. Young	N. B. Williams	*E. L. Elwood	†G. M. Weir	*A. Shepphard	W. B. Tate	*F. B. Reilly
1919—	N. B. Williams	*E. L. Elwood	†G. M. Weir	J. E. McFee	*A. Shepphard	W. B. Tate	*F. B. Reilly
1920—	*E. L. Elwood	G. M. Weir	*A. Shepphard	*J. W. MacNeill	*F. B. Reilly	W. B. Tate	*J. A. Mooney
1921—	†G. M. Weir	*A. Shepphard	*J. W. MacNeill	*D. A. Kingsbury	*F. B. Reilly	W. B. Tate	*J. A. Mooney
1922—	*A. Shepphard	*J. W. MacNeill	*D. A. Kingsbury	†G. Swain	*F. B. Reilly	W. B. Tate	*J. A. Mooney
1923—	*J. W. MacNeill	*D. A. Kingsbury	†G. Swain	W. J. Smith	*F. B. Reilly	W. B. Tate	*J. A. Mooney
1924—	*D. A. Kingsbury	†G. Swain	W. J. Smith	W. M. Martin	*F. B. Reilly	W. B. Tate	*J. A. Mooney
1925—	†G. Swain	W. J. Smith	W. M. Martin	†J. K. Irwin	*F. B. Reilly	W. B. Tate	*J. W. Cram
1926—	W. J. Smith	W. M. Martin	†J. K. Irwin	J. O. Clarke	*F. B. Reilly	W. B. Tate	J. R. Yorke
1927—	W. M. Martin	†J. K. Irwin	J. O. Clarke	C. P. Moore	*F. B. Reilly	W. B. Tate	J. R. Yorke
1928—	†J. K. Irwin	J. O. Clarke	C. P. Moore	J. McGregor	*F. B. Reilly	W. B. Tate	J. R. Yorke
1929—	J. O. Clarke	C. P. Moore	J. McGregor	*F. B. Reilly	*J. C. Moore	W. B. Tate	J. R. Yorke
1930—	C. P. Moore	J. McGregor	*F. B. Reilly	N. R. Craig	*J. C. Moore	W. B. Tate	J. R. Yorke
1931—	J. McGregor	*F. B. Reilly	N. R. Craig	*M. A. MacKay	*J. C. Moore	W. B. Tate	J. R. Yorke
1932—	*F. B. Reilly	N. R. Craig	*M. A. MacKay	†T. W. Sutherland	*J. C. Moore	W. B. Tate	J. R. Yorke
1933—	N. R. Craig	*M. A. MacKay	†T. W. Sutherland	J. R. Yorke	*J. C. Moore	W. B. Tate	A. Johnstone
1934—	†T. W. Sutherland	J. R. Yorke	†J. W. Estey	M. Musk	*J. C. Moore	W. B. Tate	A. Johnstone
1935—	J. R. Yorke	†J. W. Estey	M. Musk	*S. C. Burton	*J. C. Moore	W. B. Tate	A. O. Brooks
1936—	†J. W. Estey	M. Musk	*S. C. Burton	*H. M. Underhill	*J. C. Moore	W. B. Tate	†L. S. Sifton
1937—	M. Musk	*S. C. Burton	*H. M. Underhill	A. O. Brooks	A. C. Garner	W. B. Tate	T. H. Pendlebury
1938—	*S. C. Burton	*H. M. Underhill	A. O. Brooks	†C. P. Seeley	A. C. Garner	Robt. A. Tate	T. H. Pendlebury
1939—	*H. M. Underhill	A. O. Brooks	†C. P. Seeley	D. Fraser	A. C. Garner	Robt. A. Tate	T. H. Pendlebury
1940—	A. O. Brooks	†C. P. Seeley	D. Fraser	S. J. A. Branion	A. C. Garner	Robt. A. Tate	T. H. Pendlebury
1941—	†C. P. Seeley	D. Fraser	S. J. A. Branion	J. C. Carter	A. C. Garner	Robt. A. Tate	T. H. Pendlebury
1942—	D. Fraser	S. J. A. Branion	J. C. Carter	F. C. Hayes	A. C. Garner	Robt. A. Tate	T. H. Pendlebury
1943—	S. J. A. Branion	J. C. Carter	F. C. Hayes	W. L. Clink	A. C. Garner	Robt. A. Tate	A. S. Pipes
1944—	J. C. Carter	F. C. Hayes	W. L. Clink	H. Mackay	A. C. Garner	Robt. A. Tate	A. S. Pipes
1945—	F. C. Hayes	W. L. Clink	H. Mackay	F. C. Wilson	A. C. Garner	Robt. A. Tate	A. S. Pipes
1946—	W. L. Clink	H. Mackay	F. C. Wilson	W. H. Moor	A. C. Garner	Robt. A. Tate	A. S. Pipes

* Deceased.

† Left the Jurisdiction.

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES

To Sask.	*Jurisdiction*	*From Sask.*
F. T. Fraser	Alabama	J. D. Pruett — Boaz
A. A. Wilson — Regina	Alberta	W. J. Botterill — Red Deer
A. Greaves — Saskatoon	Arizona	J. K. Chilton — Clifton
R. W. Kirkby — Prince Albert	Arkansas	J. Leroy Davis — DeQueen
W. McDougald — Rosetown	Br. Columbia	H. B. Morley — Penticton
N. B. Williams — Regina	Canada in Ont.	R. E. Mills — Elora
F. J. Truran — Qu'Appelle	Chile	Clifford A. Nunn — Santiago
W. C. Shearer — Nipawin	Colorado	C. S. Desch, Jr. — Denver
W. G. Robinson — Francis	Connecticut	G. B. Lewis — Naugatuck
R. H. Chant — Foam Lake	Costa Rica	Alex. Murray — San Jose
S. R. Stephens — Moose Jaw	Cuba	F. J. P. Dominguez — Habana
G. H. Hummel — Nokomis	Delaware	A. H. Morris — Lewes
	D.of Columbia	H. F. Johnson — Washington
W. M. Martin — Regina	England	T. T. Blockley — Oxford
J. R. Young — Saskatoon	Florida	Wm. F. Hansen — Pensacola
J. D. Watson — Regina	Georgia	A. T. Harrison — Brunswick
A. W. L. Mann — Tessier	Idaho	H. P. Glinderman — C.d'Alene
Robt. A. Tate — Regina	Illinois	Roscoe C. Clark — LaGrange
G. Hooker — Woodrow	Indiana	S. B. Pettengill — South Bend
	Iowa — does not exchange representatives.	
W. B. Tate — Regina	Ireland	J. W. H. Davies — Waterford
E. H. Knowles — Regina	Kansas	J. H. Trice — Medicine Lodge
Wm. Pedersen — Milestone	Kentucky	W. C. Black — Barbourville
T. J. Ford — Saskatoon	Louisiana	C. P. Derveloy — Alexandria
H. MacKay — Melville	Maine	A. A. Smith — Bangor
F. C. Hayes — Swift Current	Manitoba	A. Burgess — Winnipeg
A. H. Stevens — Climax	Maryland	F. H. Ankeney — Cumberland
A. E. Miscampbell — Regina	Massachusetts	James Young — Salem
J. G. T. Jennings — Fort Qu'Appelle	Mexico(York)	H. M. Campbell — Mexico City
C. P. Moore — Weyburn	Michigan	Ira A. Beck — Battle Creek
C. H. Boyd — Moose Jaw	Minnesota	R. E. Van Kirk — St. Paul
J. E. McLarty — N. Battleford	Mississippi	N. S. Kearney — Leland
J. O. Clarke — Govan	Missouri	W. S. MacAaron — Boonville
W. J. Smith — Shaunavon	Montana	H. C. Smith — Miles City
M. Musk — Prince Albert	Nebraska	O. C. Dovey — Plattsmouth
A. S. Pipes — Moose Jaw	Nevada	F. H. Norcross — Carson City
D. A. McMillan — Lacadena	New Brunswick	C. Dickason — St. John
	New Hampshire	J. J. Tilton — Effing
G. G. Grant — Regina	New Jersey	J. W. Kempson — Maplewood
T. H. Pendlebury — Moose Jaw	New Mexico	M. D. Gibbs — Roy
T. L. Ferguson — Shaunavon	N. S. Wales	F. L. Hodgson — Sydney
S. J. A. Branion — Prince Albert	New York	Wm. S. Smith — New York
E. H. M. Knowles — Regina	New Zealand	J. D. Webster — Auckland
A. M. Bell — Adanac	N. Carolina	H. A. Hewell — Henderson
J. R. Yorke — Regina	N. Dakota	P. O. Sathre — Bismarck
N. R. Craig — Moose Jaw	Nova Scotia	H. C. Oxley — Sheet Harbour
A. C. Garner — Regina	Ohio	G.W. Montgomery — Youngston
E. W. Heffer — Tompkins	Oklahoma	B. Herstein — Idabel
H. S. Maxwell — Regina	Oregon	I. W. Hope — Vale
C. H. Preston — Carnduff	Paraiba	D. Mororo — Joao Pessoa
F. A. Williamson — Regina	Ph. Islands	Vin. Orosa — Cabanatuan
	P. E. Island	Wm. McLean — Kensington
	Puerto Rico	R. R. Pabon — San Juan
W. O. Fraser — Oxbow	Quebec	G. S. Burrows — St. Lambert

To Sask.		*Jurisdiction*	*From Sask.*	
A. F. McFaull	Zealandia	Queensland	F. Holland	Brisbane
T. Guest	Saskatoon	Rhode Island	J. C. Collins	Providence
J. E. Rodney	Kerrobert	Rio de Janeiro	I. D. Costa	Rio de Janeiro
R. Young	Prince Albert	Scotland	Rt. Hon. Earl of Stair	Edinburgh
R. L. Hanbidge	Kerrobert	S. Australia	J. E. Walton	Adelaide
J. C. Carter	Outlook	S. Carolina	J. E. Hart	York
F. C. Wilson	Regina	S. Dakota	E. M. Westby	Madison
J. McGregor	Saskatoon	Tennessee	B. T. Dawkins	Memphis
A. G. McLean	Raymore	Texas	J. M. Martin	Abilene
F. A. Dunk	Regina	Utah	J. F. Woolley	Salt Lake City
J. N. Smith	Prince Albert	Vermont	J. C. Thomas	Orwell
Wm. Leith	Glamis	Victoria	R. G. Ball	Melbourne
D. Fraser	Regina	Virginia	J. L. Brown	Lynchburg
A. O. Brooks	Abernethy	Washington	J. M. Roberts	Tacoma
E. C. Bird	Regina	W. Australia	Ven. Arch. Moore	Perth
F. B. O'Neil	Langham	W. Virginia	Ward M. Downs	Charleston
F. M. Hodson	Rosthern	Wisconsin	C. Kummer	Sheboygan

GRAND SECRETARIES

Alabama	Guy T. Smith	Montgomery
Alberta	Geo. Moore	Calgary
Arizona	H. A. Drachman	Tucson
Arkansas	W. A. Thomas	Little Rock
British Columbia	W. R. Simpson	Vancouver
California	Lloyd E. Wilson	San Francisco
Canada in Ontario	E. G. Dixon	Hamilton
Chile	Rene Court F.	Casilla No. 2867, Santiago
Colorado	H. W. Bundy	Denver
Connecticut	Winthrop Buck	Hartford
Costa Rica	Enrique, Chaves B	San Jose
Cuba	C. P. Gutierrez	La Habana, 72
Cuscatlan	J. L. Tellez	San Salvador
Delaware	C. R. Jones	Wilmington
District of Columbia	A. H. Clayton	Washington
England	S. A. White	London, W.C. 2
Florida	Geo. W. Huff	Jacksonville
Georgia	D. W. Lochlin	Macon
Guatemala	Dr. Jose Maria Lima	Apt. 312, C.A., Guatemala
Idaho	C. I. Rush	Boise
Illinois	Richard C. Davenport	Harrisburg
Indiana	W. H. Swintz	Indianapolis
Iowa	Earl B. Delzell	Cedar Rapids
Ireland	H. C. Shellard	Dublin
Kansas	E. F. Strain	Topeka
Kentucky	Alpheus E. Orton	Louisville
Louisiana	D. P. Laguens	New Orleans
Maine	C. E. Leach	Portland
Manitoba	P. T. Pilkey	Winnipeg
Maryland	Claud Shaffer	Baltimore
Massachusetts	F. H. Hilton	Boston
Mexico (York)	F. T. Berger	Box 1986, Mexico City
Michigan	F. Homer Newton	Grand Rapids
Minnesota	John H. Anderson	St. Paul
Mississippi	S. F. Curtis	Meridian

Missouri	H. L. Reader	St. Louis
Montana	L. T. Hauberg	Helena
Nebraska	Carl R. Greison	Omaha
Nevada	E. C. Peterson	Carson City
New Brunswick	R. D. Magee	Saint John
New Hampshire	J. M. Dresser	Concord
New Jersey	Isaac Cherry	Trenton
New Mexico	Alpheus A. Keen	Albuquerque
New South Wales	J. S. Miller	Sydney
New York	Charles H. Johnson	New York
New Zealand	H. A. Lamb	Box 2001, Wellington, C.I.
North Carolina	W. L. McIver	Raleigh
North Dakota	Walter L. Stockwell	Fargo
Nova Scotia	R. V. Harris	Halifax
Ohio	H. S. Johnson	Cincinnati
Oklahoma	C. A. Sturgeon	Guthrie
Oregon	H. D. Proudfoot	Portland
Para	F. T. DeAraujo	Belem, Para
Paraiba	A. de Almeida Simoes	Joas Pesson, Parahiba
Pennsylvania	M. Galt, Jr.	Philadelphia
Philippine Islands	Antonia Gonzalez	Manila, P.I.
Puerto Rico	Angel M. Torres	Box 747, San Juan, P.R.
Prince Edward Island	L. A. McDougall	Box 112, Charlottetown
Quebec	W. W. Williamson	Montreal
Queensland	E. G. Radford	Box 675, Brisbane
Rhode Island	N. Arthur Hyland	Providence
Rio de Janeiro	D. C. Trindade	Rua do Carmo, Rio de Janeiro
Scotland	W. King Gillies	Edinburgh
South Australia	R. Owen Fox	Adelaide
South Carolina	O. F. Hart	Columbia
South Dakota	E. F. Strain	Sioux Falls
Tasmania	W. H. Strutt	Hobart
Tennessee	T. E. Doss	Nashville
Texas	G. H. Belew	Waco
Utah	E. Roy Gibson	Salt Lake City
Vermont	A. H. Grout	Burlington
Victoria	W. Stewart	Melbourne
Virginia	Dr. J. N. Hillman	Richmond
Washington	John I. Preissner	Tacoma
Western Australia	A. E. Jensen	Perth
West Virginia	I. W. Coffman	Charleston
Wisconsin	William F. Weiler	Milwaukee
Wyoming	I. E. Clark	Casper

LODGE DIRECTORY

Lodges marked with an (*) install on anniversary of St. John the Baptist. All other Lodges install on anniversary of St. John the Evangelist.

For location and date of meeting see District Directory following:

No.	Lodge	Master	Secretary	Dist. No.
1	Kinistino	G. G. Davis	W. E. Bristowe	1
2	Wascana	S. C. Weaver	H. Willsmer	2
3	Moose Jaw	C. F. McDonald	James Wilson	3
4	Qu'Appelle Valley	J. M. Orr	P. E. Cooper	4
5	Indian Head	W. K. Coulthard	F. O. Burrill	4
6	*Qu'Appelle	F. A. Wilson	J. F. Bell	4
7	*Moosomin	G. McKay	Thos. Lawson	9
8	Ashlar	R. S. Armstrong	J. G. Telford	9

No.	Lodge	Master	Secretary	Dist. No
9	Maple Leaf	D. C. MacFadyen	A. Currie	11
10	Evening Star	Gordon Loveridge	J. F. Carter	9
11	N.W.M.P.	James Robinson	H. R. Robinson	2
12	Yorkton	C. D. Best	T. R. Luke	10
13	Duck Lake	J. M. Urton	F. Anderson	1
14	*Sintaluta	F. M. Clark	W. G. Blakely	4
15	Amity	A. J. Sanders	W. J. McGowan	8
16	Saskatchewan	Howard McConnell	F. E. Smith-Jones	5
17	*Carlyle	H. E. McKellar	J. I. Beggs	8
18	Melfort	Wm. Fell.	Wm. Lonsdale	1
19	Battle	C. V. Batchelor	H. S. May	7
20	Weyburn	C. F. Rannie	P. K. Brown	6
21	*Arcola	W. G. E. Campbell	P. B. Thomson	8
22	Rosthern	Leon Osten	E. St. G. Hodson	1
23	Britannia	Robt. L. Miller	W. M. Cardiff	7
24	*Wolseley	J. M. Sanderson.	T. W. Tiller	4
25	Estevan	Frank J. Smart	W. H. S. Glew	8
26	Swift Current	R. J. Hodgson	R. W. Atkinson	11
27	Alameda	R. A. Hamill	J. P. Gordon	8
28	Hanley	G. R. Duncan	H. M. Dixon	5
29	*Heward	S. N. Horner	Fred Wiley	8
30	*New Hope	C. C. Cameron.	H. I. Shaw	8
31	Ionic	R. W. Brouillette	A. E. Blower	7
32	Golden Rule	J. A. Chapman	H. W. Haylor.	2
33	Davidson	G. C. Jose	M. W. Coxworth	5
34	*Lang	R. Schuerwater	W. Barmby	6
35	*Prince Rupert	R. J. Adams	C. W. Bossons	15
36	Bruce	A. H. Maguire	W. G. Robinson.	6
37	*Wapella	T. A. Morrow	J. C. Tocher	9
38	Ekapo	R. McCullough	W. L. Black	9
39	Boscurvis	R. A. V. Bennett.	A. L. Moir	8
40	Rouleau	Wm. G. Scott	S. K. Johnston.	2
41	Drinkwater	E. Savage	W. L. Woodger	2
42	Caron	D. C. Campbell	J. E. Orr	3
43	Ishpaming	A. C. Brown	F. J. Penner	5
44	Landmark	D. Lamont	W. H. Tweddell	7
45	*Aurora	J. E. Hay	R. W. Mercer	10
46	*Strasbourg	E. J. Erickson	W. A. Richardson	16
47	*Cupar	G. A. Riches	T. Hesketh	4
48	Grayson	H. N. Clements	Roy Norman	9
49	Assiniboia	G. B. Morrison	Wilfrid Green.	2
50	*Golden Fleece	R. A. Wilkie	D. Litschke	6
51	Touchwood	J. W. Latta	C. G. Shooter	16
52	Border	G. E. Eddy	W. H. Coney	8
53	Nanatah	J. E. Chaplin	H. J. Decker	4
54	*Buchanan	E. Gardner	A. C. Jennings	10
55	*Craik	E. J. Pallansch.	G. W. McLean	2
56	*Elbow View	F. C. Taylor	S. Platt	17
57	*Prairie	W. J. Bleue	W. C. Chapman.	13
58	King Solomon	M. S. Feist	H. W. Pearce	10
59	*Canora	Hector Dag	W. Potter	10
60	Imperial	John Macklem	W. E. Winterton	5
61	*Rocanville	E. E. Plummer	R. G. Rook	9
62	Melville	Murray Gillespie	C. B. Mutchler	10
63	Prince Albert	Wm. H. Halsey	W. O. L. Davies	1
64	Manitou	O. D. Ketcheson	T. R. Strachan.	16
65	*Outlook	J. C. Davison.	T. E. Armstrong	17

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66	*Wynyard	R. L. Taylor	F. Wilson	15
67	*Eyebrow	M. Holtslander	C. H. Birch	3
68	Govan	H. Niven	E. F. Dickey	16
69	*Carrot River	R. E. Forde	R. J. Humphrey	1
70	Cypress	James Macdonald	R. H. Sweeting	11
71	Doric	E. Eastwood	S. R. Stephens	3
72	Corinthian	Wm. Downie	W. H. Kerr	2
73	*Unity	T. Olafson	J. P. Fawcett	13
74	*Kilwinning	R. L. Best	A. M. Bell	13
75	*Harmony	H. P. Cundy	A. E. Friend	13
76	Tisdale	J. L. James	G. M. Creed	1
77	*Abernethy	A. McCall	F. S. Dawes	4
78	Tugaske	E. A. Atkinson	T. W. Russell	3
79	*Foam Lake	A. G. Baxter	J. Reid	15
80	Connaught	E. G. Douglas	R. I. Leggett	9
81	Tuscan	B. W. Smith	G. Fleming	16
82	*Victoria	G. Larock	B. L. Agate	12
83	*Meridian	H. H. Dier	A. Mitchell	13
84	*Lanigan	E. P. Turner	C. Stackhouse	15
85	*Zealandia	R. M. Burnett	R. R. Greenman	12
86	Kindersley	James E. Mylrea	L. P. Kincaid	12
87	*Wadena	R. Greenwood	R. H. Nicholson	15
88	*Briercrest	A. F. Arnold	A. Robbie	3
89	Twin City	Arthur Schick	R. Horspool	3
90	*Kerrobert	I. W. James	A. K. Murdoch	13
91	*Rosetown	H. R. Powell	W. H. Blakely	12
92	Lodge Progress	N. G. Paterson	Thomas Graham	5
93	*Morse	C. D. Sneddon	W. Hopkins	11
94	*Maryfield	H. R. Bell	A. Lipsey	9
95	*Evergreen	W. A. Stevens	J. B. Wilson	5
96	Yellow Grass	J. A. Baker	P. C. Hill	6
97	*Radisson	H. E. Fennell	G. L. Campbell	7
98	*Union	A. T. Arndt	J. T. Goddard	16
99	*Goose Lake	T. H. Colmer	R. Harvey	5
100	Biggar	L. Bentham	Frank Hopkins	13
101	Acacia	E. R. Abrey	R. J. Thompson	16
102	*Invermay	T. E. Laxdal	G Telfer	15
103	Composite	Oliver Gray	Dan McPherson	9
104	King Hiram	J. W. Hamilton	C. L. Smith	2
105	Gothic	W. H. Taylor	H. E. Marshall	13
106	St. John's	W. H. McLean	J. B. Smith	14
107	Mortlach	P. H. Rudeen	F. H. W. Kahlo	3
108	Long Lake	G. B. Hooker	J. J. Martin	16
109	Limerick	J. E. Batty	H. J. Gordon	14
110	Shaunavon	A. Stoddart	T. L. Ferguson	14
111	*Aneroid	E. S. Hammond	Bert Wilson	14
112	Woodrow	J. B. Hooker	J. C. Cram	14
113	*Broderick	D. S. Morton	Jas. Gifford	17
114	*Central Butte	Wm. S. Downing	R. S. Hemsworth	3
115	*Landis	W. L. Balmer	H. Malet-Veale	13
116	*Ceylon	J. T. Meredith	P. W. Westlake	6
117	Dundurn	Harold Ducie	A. E. Hokanson	5
118	*Paragon	C. E. Nyquist	G. A. Reese	13
119	Cabri	C. W. Haydon	R. C. Garfat	11
120	*Ogema	A. E. Whitehouse	H. Hartley	6
121	*Simpson	W. H. Quine	S. J. Caught	16
122	Azure	R. Henderson	R. R. Blissett	14

No.	Lodge	Master	Secretary	Dist. No.
123	*Lancer	O. Symington	J. B. Cross	11
124	Mount Hermon	Wm. Dowdeswell	E. Housego	11
125	Latomia	J. H. C. Turner	W. H. Hart	6
126	*Cadillac	C. D. Newell	Alex Laurie	14
127	*Birch Hills	G. H. A. Macdonnell	W. R. A. Orton	1
128	Meyronne	H. J. Mulhern	W. G. Conlan	14
129	*Mossbank	Robt. Collins	C. C. Shattuck	3
130	Togo	F. E. Penniston	L. A. Lindsay	10
131	*Dinston	J. D. Beavis	A. Drysdale	17
132	*Conquest	R. J. Dickinson	H. A. Head	17
133	Philathea	R. H. McDougall	J. H. Marvin	16
134	Eston	R. J. S. Tracy	D. Steadward, Sr.	12
135	*Elrose	M. B. Torrance	W. H. Walker	12
136	St. George	A. C. Woods	H. J. Reid	3
137	*Tyrian	E. H. R. Nesbitt	H. L. Binns	7
138	Kincaid	S. C. Moe	Alex D. Graham	14
139	*Riverhurst	S. Willfong	N. C. Rudd	17
140	Sceptre	R. F. Murray	E. J. Armstrong	11
141	Progressive	E. A. Hallquist	E. W. Heffer	11
142	*Leader	J. E. Theaker	W. I. Powell	11
143	*Hawarden	J. M. Spence	E. A. Hudson	17
144	Victory	G. J. Shaw	A. Greaves	5
145	*Elfros	A. Thorfinnson	S. G. Kristjanson	15
146	*Asquith	B. Forsyth	R. B. Warren	5
147	*Elstow	F. J. Taylor	P. J. Warner	5
148	*Dunblane	J. Sinclair	O. Amerud	17
149	Loverna	Donald Peebles	W. H. Brown	13
150	*Wawota	R. Callard	Geo. Ramage	9
151	Viscount	J. M. Young	B. K. Lee	15
152	Star City	William Davis	Geo. C. Rankin	1
154	Banner	R. C. Hodsman	A.E.Miscampbell	2
155	Raymore	B. S. Woods	J. Riddel	16
156	*Avonlea	W. J. Armstrong	A. D. MacLeod	3
157	*York	W. M. Stevenson	J. E. Conn	10
158	Borden	H. K. Wensley	O. Brand	7
160	*Cut Knife	W. J. Grisbrook	W. Wettlaufer	7
161	*Welwyn	J. W. Bristol	E. R. Ridgway	9
162	Saltcoats	N. A. Nicholson	J. W. Kennedy	10
163	*Fillmore	R. H. Ast	D. MacLean	8
164	Milestone	Clarence Armstrong	M. R. VanVelzer	2
165	*St. Luke's	R. S. Goodwin	D. M. McIntosh	13
166	*Wakaw	O. R. Phelps	C. D. Sutherland	1
167	*Preeceville	J. B. Simpson	G. E. Hickling	10
168	*Earl Grey	J. R. Renwick	T. C. Keep	4
169	*Quill Lake	T. S. Child	W. L. MacKenzie	15
170	*Sharon	P. Pendlebury	R. Dayman	3
171	*Shellbrook	R. S. Augusta	J. W. Payne	1
172	*Memorial	A. L. McGowan	R. Mayes	3
173	*Lakeview	H. A. Mann	G. H. Johnson	5
174	St. Andrews	P. E. Johnson	E. G. Bourne	2
175	Radville	A. R. Robertson	J. A. Williamson	6
176	*Gray	E. L. Kelly	R. Montgomerie	2
177	*Verwood	T. H. Armstrong	W. S. Nevill	14
178	*Norquay	A. P. Mathison	E. Treasure	10
179	Kelvington	P. J. Fraser	R. Thoms	15
180	*Herbert	C. T. Wolan	T. J. Cook	11
181	*Tuberose	I. Grierson	I. H. Pittman	12

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182	*Lonach	S. M. Lavold	K. I. Shattuck	7
183	Nipawin	Alex Wright	W. C. Shearer	1
184	*Osage	R. F. Swinton	J. W. Cooper	6
185	*Loyalty	W. G. Foster	J. Birse	7
186	*Emulation	A. J. Haggett	N. L. Neff	2
187	*Lucky Lake	H. C. Grose	W. McLean	17
188	*Glenedyth	O. R. Onerheim	J. A. McGillivray	14
189	*Herschel	E. Rutherford	C. D. Button	12
190	*Turtleford	R. H. Bridgeman	C. W. Reed	7
191	*Macrorie	D. Golumbia	R. L. Maxfield	17
192	*Sovereign	H. McIntyre	H. F. Cave	17
193	*Mazenod	H. H. Knoke	A. B. Cochlan	3
194	*Vanguard	J. Bourke	C. R. Richards	14
195	Pleasantdale	J. R. Graham	S. B. Shields	1
196	*Lacadena	A. N. Calvert	F. W. Morton	12
197	*Chaplin	T. G. Cauthers	W. R. Gunning	3
198	Colfax	R. A. W. Johnston	T. C. Morton	6
199	Admiral	A. C. Running	W. H. Elliott	14
200	*Hudson Bay	A. W. Skilliter	T. W. Gilmour	10
201	Glentworth	J. L. Moir	D. J. Vansickle	14
U.D.	Rose Valley	Earl Cross	H. R. Hodgson	15
U.D.	Meadow Lake	J. T. March	W. A. Logan	7
U.D.	Northern Light	H. A. Stephenson	F. E. Wager	7

DISTRICT DIRECTORY

District No. 1—D.D.G.M., R. R. McEwen, Kinistino

No.	Lodge	Location	Night of Meeting
1	Kinistino	Prince Albert	1st Friday
13	Duck Lake	Duck Lake	2nd Wednesday
18	Melfort	Melfort	1st Tuesday
22	Rosthern	Rosthern	3rd Wednesday
63	Prince Albert	Prince Albert	2nd Friday
69	Carrot River	Kinistino	2nd Monday
76	Tisdale	Tisdale	Wednesday on or before
127	Birch Hills	Birch Hills	Second Tuesday
152	Star City	Star City	Thursday on or before
166	Wakaw	Wakaw	Monday on or after
171	Shellbrook	Shellbrook	1st Tuesday
183	Nipawin	Nipawin	2nd Thursday
195	Pleasantdale	Pleasantdale	Thursday on or after

District No. 2—D.D.G.M., E. S. Weeks, Richardson

2	Wascana	Regina	1st Tuesday
11	N.W.M.P.	Regina	3rd Tuesday
32	Golden Rule	Pense	3rd Thursday
40	Rouleau	Rouleau	2nd Tuesday
41	Drinkwater	Drinkwater	Thursday on or before
49	Assiniboia	Regina	3rd Friday
55	Craik	Craik	Wednesday on or before
72	Corinthian	Lumsden	Friday on or before
104	King Hiram	Regina	2nd Tuesday
154	Banner	Regina	3rd Monday
164	Milestone	Milestone	1st Thursday
174	St. Andrew's	Regina	3rd Wednesday
176	Gray	Gray	1st Tuesday
186	Emulation	Regina	4th Thursday

DISTRICT NO. 3—D.D.G.M., C. M. NIXON, MOOSE JAW

No.	Lodge	Location	Night of Meeting
3	Moose Jaw	Moose Jaw	2nd Tuesday
42	Caron	Caron	2nd Thursday
67	Eyebrow	Eyebrow	2nd Tuesday
71	Doric	Moose Jaw	1st Wednesday
78	Tugaske	Tugaske	Monday on or before
88	Briercrest	Briercrest	3rd Wednesday
107	Mortlach	Mortlach	Tuesday on or before
114	Central Butte	Central Butte	3rd Monday
129	Mossbank	Mossbank	Wednesday on or before
136	St. George	Moose Jaw	3rd Friday
156	Avonlea	Avonlea	2nd Monday
170	Sharon	Bateman	3rd Tuesday
172	Memorial	Moose Jaw	2nd Thursday
193	Mazenod	Mazenod	1st Tuesday
197	Chaplin	Chaplin	2nd Monday

DISTRICT NO. 4—D.D.G.M., J. G. PLATT, WOLSELEY

4	Qu'Appelle Valley	Fort Qu'Appelle	3rd Wednesday
5	Indian Head	Indian Head	Thursday on or before
6	Qu'Appelle	Qu'Appelle	Tuesday on or before
14	Sintaluta	Sintaluta	Tuesday on or before
24	Wolseley	Wolseley	3rd Wednesday
47	Cupar	Cupar	2nd Tuesday
53	Nanatah	Balcarres	2nd Monday
77	Abernethy	Abernethy	1st Thursday
168	Earl Grey	Earl Grey	Wednesday on or before

DISTRICT NO. 5—D.D.G.M., J. C. K. LANGFORD, SASKATOON

16	Saskatchewan	Saskatoon	1st Tuesday
28	Hanley	Hanley	3rd Thursday
33	Davidson	Davidson	Thursday on or before
43	Ishpaming	Langham	Wednesday on or before
60	Imperial	Saskatoon	2nd Wednesday
89	Twin City	Sutherland	2nd Monday
92	Lodge Progress	Saskatoon	1st Thursday
95	Evergreen	Harris	Wednesday on or before
99	Goose Lake	Delisle	Monday on or before
117	Dundurn	Dundurn	3rd Wednesday
144	Victory	Saskatoon	2nd Saturday
146	Asquith	Asquith	Friday on or before
147	Elstow	Elstow	Thursday on or before
173	Lakeview	Tessier	3rd Tuesday

DISTRICT NO. 6—D.D.G.M., W. H. HART, WEYBURN

20	Weyburn	Weyburn	1st Monday
34	Lang	Lang	4th Tuesday
36	Bruce	Francis	1st Tuesday
50	Golden Fleece	Halbrite	Monday on or after
96	Yellow Grass	Yellow Grass	Wednesday on or before
116	Ceylon	Ceylon	2nd Wednesday
120	Ogema	Ogema	2nd Monday
125	Latomia	Weyburn	3rd Friday
175	Radville	Radville	2nd Thursday
184	Osage	Osage	3rd Wednesday
198	Colfax	Colfax	2nd Thursday

DISTRICT No. 7—D.D.G.M., N. S. SMITH, BORDEN

No.	Lodge	Location	Night of Meeting
19	Battle	Battleford	1st Thursday
23	Britannia	Lloydminster	3rd Thursday
31	Ionic	North Battleford	2nd Friday
44	Landmark	Lashburn	Thursday on or before
97	Radisson	Radisson	Tuesday on or after
137	Tyrian	Edam	Tuesday on or before
158	Borden	Borden	Monday on or before
160	Cut Knife	Cut Knife	2nd Thursday
182	Lonach	Marsden	Monday on or before
185	Loyalty	Ruddell	Thursday on or before
190	Turtleford	Turtleford	2nd Thursday
U.D.	Meadow Lake	Meadow Lake	3rd Tuesday
U.D.	Northern Light	Loon Lake	3rd Tuesday

DISTRICT No. 8—D.D.G.M., J. F. C. FISHER, ALAMEDA

15	Amity	Carnduff	2nd Thursday
17	Carlyle	Carlyle	3rd Monday
21	Arcola	Arcola	2nd Monday
25	Estevan	Estevan	3rd Friday
27	Alameda	Alameda	Tuesday on or before
29	Heward	Heward	Tuesday on or before
30	New Hope	Stoughton	1st Thursday
39	Boscurvis	Oxbow	3rd Monday
52	Border	Gainsborough	Tuesday on or before
163	Fillmore	Fillmore	2nd Thursday

DISTRICT No. 9—D.D.G.M., ALEX MACRONE, WAPELLA

7	Moosomin	Moosomin	1st Wednesday
8	Ashlar	Whitewood	3rd Tuesday
10	Evening Star	Grenfell	2nd Tuesday
37	Wapella	Wapella	3rd Wednesday
38	Ekapo	Broadview	2nd Wednesday
48	Grayson	Dubuc	Wednesday on or before
61	Rocanville	Rocanville	2nd Monday
80	Connaught	Windthorst	Tuesday on or before
94	Maryfield	Maryfield	1st Tuesday
103	Composite	Kennedy	Thursday on or before
150	Wawota	Wawota	Wednesday on or before
161	Welwyn	Welwyn	Tuesday on or after

DISTRICT No. 10—D.D.G.M., G. T. KILLAM, FOAM LAKE

12	Yorkton	Yorkton	1st Friday
45	Aurora	Theodore	Wednesday on or before
54	Buchanan	Buchanan	1st Tuesday
58	King Solomon	Kamsack	2nd Wednesday
59	Canora	Canora	4th Tuesday
62	Melville	Melville	4th Thursday
130	Togo	Togo	1st Wednesday
157	York	Churchbridge	2nd Wednesday
162	Saltcoats	Saltcoats	Wednesday on or before
167	Preeceville	Preeceville	3rd Wednesday
178	Norquay	Norquay	Thursday on or before
200	Hudson Bay	Hudson Bay Junction	1st Tuesday

DISTRICT NO. 11—D.D.G.M., ALLAN MACINTOSH, SWIFT CURRENT

No.	Lodge	Location	Night of Meeting
9	Maple Leaf	Maple Creek	Thursday on or before
26	Swift Current	Swift Current	1st Tuesday
70	Cypress	Gull Lake	3rd Monday
93	Morse	Morse	1st Monday
119	Cabri	Cabri	1st Monday
123	Lancer	Lancer	2nd Tuesday
124	Mount Hermon	Pennant	Thursday on or before
140	Sceptre	Sceptre	1st Tuesday
141	Progressive	Tompkins	Wednesday on or before
142	Leader	Leader	Monday on or before
180	Herbert	Herbert	3rd Tuesday

DISTRICT NO. 12—D.D.G.M., W. H. WALKER, ELROSE

82	Victoria	Alsask	1st Tuesday
85	Zealandia	Zealandia	2nd Tuesday
86	Kindersley	Kindersley	1st Thursday
91	Rosetown	Rosetown	3rd Tuesday
134	Eston	Eston	4th Tuesday
135	Elrose	Elrose	3rd Monday
181	Tuberose	Kyle	2nd Thursday
189	Herschel	Herschel	1st Monday
196	Lacadena	Lacadena	2nd Tuesday

DISTRICT NO. 13—D.D.G.M., F. H. STEPHENS, MACKLIN

57	Prairie	Wilkie	3rd Tuesday
73	Unity	Unity	2nd Wednesday
74	Kilwinning	Adanac	Thursday on or before
75	Harmony	Perdue	1st Thursday
83	Meridian	Macklin	Wednesday on or before
90	Kerrobert	Kerrobert	1st Monday
100	Biggar	Biggar	2nd Tuesday
105	Gothic	Luseland	2nd Monday
115	Landis	Landis	2nd Thursday
118	Paragon	Kelfield	1st Tuesday
149	Loverna	Loverna	*3rd Monday
165	St. Luke's	Plenty	2nd Tuesday

*—December, January, February, March, April — Second Tuesday

DISTRICT NO. 14—D.D.G.M., T. G. WILLIAMS, MEYRONNE

106	St. John's	Assiniboia	1st Wednesday
109	Limerick	Limerick	Tuesday on or before
110	Shaunavon	Shaunavon	2nd Wednesday
111	Aneroid	Aneroid	2nd Thursday
112	Woodrow	Woodrow	1st Monday
122	Azure	Eastend	Thursday on or before
126	Cadillac	Cadillac	3rd Wednesday
128	Meyronne	Meyronne	2nd Monday
138	Kincaid	Kincaid	1st Thursday
177	Verwood	Verwood	2nd Wednesday
188	Glenedyth	Climax	2nd Thursday
194	Vanguard	Vanguard	3rd Monday
199	Admiral	Admiral	1st Wednesday
201	Glentworth	Glentworth	4th Monday

DISTRICT No. 15—D.D.G.M., J. J. BOLE, ELFROS

No.	Lodge	Location	Night of Meeting
35	Prince Rupert	Humboldt	2nd Friday
66	Wynyard	Wynyard	2nd Tuesday
79	Foam Lake	Foam Lake	2nd Thursday
84	Lanigan	Lanigan	2nd Thursday
87	Wadena	Wadena	Monday on or before
102	Invermay	Invermay	Tuesday on or before
145	Elfros	Elfros	Wednesday on or before
151	Viscount	Viscount	1st Tuesday
169	Quill Lake	Quill Lake	1st Thursday
179	Kelvington	Kelvington	Thursday on or before
U.D.	Rose Valley	Rose Valley	1st Thursday

DISTRICT No. 16—D.D.G.M., L. L. LYMBURNER, NOKOMIS

46	Strasbourg	Strasbourg	4th Monday
51	Touchwood	Punnichy	2nd Tuesday
64	Manitou	Watrous	3rd Thursday
68	Govan	Govan	1st Tuesday
81	Tuscan	Semans	Wednesday on or after
98	Union	Kelliher	3rd Monday
101	Acacia	Imperial	1st Thursday
108	Long Lake	Liberty	2nd Tuesday
121	Simpson	Simpson	Wednesday on or before
133	Philathea	Nokomis	1st Thursday
155	Raymore	Raymore	2nd Monday

DISTRICT No. 17—D.D.G.M., N. C. RUDD, RIVERHURST

56	Elbow View	Loreburn	3rd Tuesday
65	Outlook	Outlook	2nd Thursday
113	Broderick	Glenside	Friday on or before
131	Dinston	Dinsmore	1st Wednesday
132	Conquest	Conquest	3rd Wednesday
139	Riverhurst	Riverhurst	3rd Wednesday
143	Hawarden	Hawarden	1st Tuesday
148	Dunblane	Dunblane	1st Monday
187	Lucky Lake	Lucky Lake	2nd Monday
191	Macrorie	Macrorie	Monday on or before
192	Sovereign	Sovereign	1st Tuesday

SCHEDULE OF DISTRICT MEETINGS FOR 1946

Dist. No.	Place	Date
16	Nokomis	Tues., July 2
5	Saskatoon	Wed., July 3
15	Humboldt	Thurs., July 4
1	Melfort	Fri., July 5
7	North Battleford	Mon., July 8
13	Kerrobert	Tues., July 9
12	Kindersley	Wed., July 10
17	Macrorie	Thurs., July 11
	Glentworth, Constitution	July 12
11	Cabri	Mon., July 15
14	Climax	Tues., July 16
3	Moose Jaw	Wed., July 17
8	Oxbow	Thurs., July 18
9	Moosomin	Fri. July 19
10	Yorkton	Mon., July 22
4	Fort Qu'Appelle	Tues., July 23
2	Regina	Wed., July 24
6	Weyburn	Thurs., July 25

The programme for the Meeting was as follows:

AFTERNOON SESSION

2:00 p.m. Board of Installed Masters (W.M.'s and P.M.'s are eligible to attend and are urged to do so).

2:30 p.m. Opening District Meeting.
(a) Reception of Grand Officers.
(b) Reading Minutes; reading report of D.D.G.M. for 1945-46.
(c) Exemplification of:
1. Balloting.
2. Reception, Circumambulation, and approach to the Altar in the F.C. Degree.
3. Grand Honours.
4. Funeral Honours.
5. Collecting P.G. and P.W. in opening exercises.

4:30 p.m. Adjournment.

EVENING SESSION

7:30 p.m. (d) Reopening District Meeting.
(e) Selection D.D.G.M. (written nominations to be filed with District Secretary by 7:30 p.m.)
(f) Paper by appointed Grand Lodge Officer or other well-skilled Brother—"Symbolism of the F.C. Degree" or some phase thereof. (15 minutes).
(g) Discussion of above paper (10 minutes).
(h) Masonic Quiz: (Questions based on F.C. Degree and Constitution).
(i) Address: Grand Master—"The Wages of a Fellowcraft."
(j) Grand Lodge Officers retire.
(k) District business.

10:00 p.m.—Closing.

FIFTY-YEAR GOLD BUTTONS

Name of Brother	Year of Presentation	Lodge Membership when Presented	Particulars of Initiation Year	Jurisdiction
xC. O. Davidson	1939	Kinistino	1889	Manitoba
R. J. Jones	1946	Kinistino	1896	Manitoba
D. S. McCannel	1939	Wascana	1887	Manitoba
W. O. Lott	1940	Wascana	1889	Canada in Ontario
Harry Willsmer	1942	Wascana	1892	England
John J. Galloway	1946	Wascana	1896	Canada in Ontario
xG. M. Annable	1941	Moose Jaw	1883	Canada in Ontario
W. A. Burton	1944	Moose Jaw	1894	Manitoba
J. H. Laird	1946	Moose Jaw	1896	Prince Edward Island
xArthur Atherton	1938	Qu'Appelle Valley	1886	Manitoba
xE. W. Miller	1938	Qu'Appelle Valley	1888	Manitoba
xE. J. Brooks	1938	Indian Head	1881	Quebec
W. B. Tate	1942	Qu'Appelle	1891	Ireland
W. G. Vicars	1942	Qu'Appelle	1892	Manitoba
D. McFarlane	1945	Moosomin	1890	Manitoba
Walter Pennington	1946	Moosomin	1896	Manitoba
J. T. Johnson	1945	Moosomin	1895	Manitoba
J. B. Melrose	1943	Maple Leaf	1893	Scotland

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xJ. T. Peckett	1943	Maple Leaf	1893	Canada in Ontario
F. W. Martin	1941	Maple Leaf	1891	Canada in Ontario
R. B. Bennett	1942	Evening Star	1892	Manitoba
W. G. Haultain	1942	N.W.M.P.	1890	Manitoba
Henry Turner	1946	Yorkton	1896	England
R. H. Lock	1946	Yorkton	1896	Manitoba
xJ. H. Elliott	1941	Amity	1890	Canada in Ontario
xAndrew Rutherford	1938	Saskatchewan	1888	Canada in Ontario
F. B. Goodwillie	1945	Melfort	1895	Canada in Ontario
J. Hatton	1946	Melfort	1896	Manitoba
J. A. Smith	1942	Estevan	1892	Manitoba
xJ. T. Hart	1941	Golden Rule	1884	Nebraska
J. M. Martin	1944	Lang	1893	Scotland
Stewart Mitchell	1938	Bruce	1882	Ireland
xRichard Beale	1940	Ekapo	1888	Manitoba
xH.H. Campkin	1940	Assiniboia	1890	Manitoba
D. E. Spencer	1943	Assiniboia	1883	Michigan
L. H. Reeve	1944	Touchwood	1894	Canada in Ontario
W. T. Fallis	1939	Rocanville	1888	North Dakota
W. H. Kerr	1946	Corinthian	1896	Canada in Ontario
xJames Stoddart	1942	Tugaske	1891	Canada in Ontario
Wm. T. Potts	1944	Wadena	1893	Manitoba
George Rathwell	1944	Rosetown	1894	Canada in Ontario
xD. Lawrence	1944	Rosetown	1894	Manitoba
U. S. Grant	1944	Yellow Grass	1894	Indiana
Alex. Austin	1945	Acacia	1894	North Dakota
John McChesney	1945	Invermay	1894	Scotland
C. B. Smith	1940	King Hiram	1888	Michigan
A. L. Merrill	1940	King Hiram	1890	Canada in Ontario
Joseph Wood	1946	King Hiram	1896	Manitoba
xDuncan McFarlane	1940	Paragon	1872	Scotland
xRobert Anderson	1939	Ogema	1886	Ireland
Chas. A. Bush	1940	Ogema	1886	Illinois
R. A. Miniely	1945	Dunblane	1894	Canada in Ontario
Arthur Mack	1939	Viscount	1889	Manitoba
F. W. Torney	1944	Memorial	1894	Manitoba
xArthur E. Staton	1943	Gray	1893	Canada in Ontario
A. R. Thomas	1944	Colfax	1893	South Dakota

xDeceased

HONOURARY MEMBERS OF THE GRAND LODGE OF SASKATCHEWAN

Past Grand Master—

G. Hunter, Deloraine, Man.	1930
W. Douglas, Winnipeg, Man.	1930
W. H. Wardrope, Hamilton, Ont.	1930
R. Burrit, Winnipeg, Man.	1935
M. M. Downey, Edmonton, Alta.	1935
A. J. Anderson, Toronto, Ont.	1936
H. Woods, Winnipeg, Man.	1936
W. J. Dunlop, Toronto, Ont.	1939
J. M. Charteris, Great Falls, Mont.	1939
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REMEMBER NOW THY CREATOR (ECCLESIASTES XII:1-7)

M.W. Bro. S.J.A. Branion

When we hear, from time to time, this highly poetic and symbolic Oriental description of life from youth until old age merges in death, there is great profit in being able to follow the symbols one after another. But the very words themselves deserve attention. The simplicity of the language is amazing. Out of about 222 words, 180 have only one syllable. There are only three words which have as many as three syllables! And the words are more than 80% pure Anglo-Saxon words.

But the meaning is the important part. There are places where it is obscure or will bear more than one interpretation, but the substantial thoughts are clear. Verse 1 calls upon us to remember our Creator before the days when pleasure in life will be gone and the mind will be fixed and will not be open even to knowledge of God. Verse 2 describes a sirocco or hurricane and suggests that in old age even if the storm seems to pass, the clouds imediately gather again. In verses 3 and 4 there is a description of the gradual breaking down of the physical body. Scholars dispute about parts of it but you will get the general idea if you take these signs and symbols. Keepers of the house—hands that tremble; strong men bowing—legs not erect; grinders—teeth; rise up with the bird—sleepless early morning; music low—failing voice; windows—eyes; shut doors—dull ears. Verse 5 pictures inability to climb and avoidance of exertion which once was easy. The almond tree may hint at the appearance of gray hair and the grasshopper may symbolize a trifling weight which to old people may be heavy. "Desire shall fail" is literally "the caperberry shall fail". The caperberry probably refers to some artificial stimulant to appetite. Whatever the exact original significance, the translators chose a wonderful phrase to express the idea of loss of interest and anticipation in life when they chose those three little words, "desire shall fail".

In the closing words of verse 5, symbolism is dropped and there is direct reference to death. "Man goeth to his long home." And there is mentioned the striking Oriental custom of paid mourners who go about the street with loud moaning.

In verse 6, symbolism rules again, but whereas previous symbols were of failing physical powers, now the symbols are those of actual dissolution and death. Some commentators say that the silver cord refers to the spinal cord, the golden bowl to the skull, the pitcher to the heart and the wheel to the general process of life in the body. In any event it is clearly death four times symbolized and each time the symbol is something suddenly decisive, "loosed" "broken".

Then follows the climax not only of this essay of seven verses, but of the whole book of Ecclesiastes. This climax is not in the words, "Then shall the dust return to the earth as it was." That fact had long been known to the writer and those of his day. The new thing which he has discovered is that the spirit returns to God who gave it. This pessimistic old writer of Ecclesiastes has discovered immortality in God. Like Job, he has won the victory of faith. After long struggle and doubt he has been given a new revelation. Old age and death are not the end. Life lives with God.

Questions: 1. How many words of French or Latin origin can you find in these seven verses?

2. How many two-syllable words are there?

3. Why does the writer mention light as well as the sun and the moon and the stars?

4. Is it a better interpretation of the first part of verse six to picture life as a golden lamp hung by a silver cord and death as the snapping of the cord and the consequent breaking of the lamp?

THE PUBLICITY AND SECRECY OF FREEMASONRY

This is a topic of wide interest among Masons and one upon which there may at times be difference of opinion. A good general rule of guidance in respect to the subject must be put as follows:

"The general principles of Freemasonry are wide open to the world; the methods by which these principles are taught to Freemasons are secret." This article will deal with secrecy; next month an article will deal with publicity.

Why should we have secrecy at all? The answer is: "Because secrecy has been found worthwhile." We have secrets not because there is any value in secrecy as secrecy. If we could achieve the same results, or as good results, without secrecy we might as well drop it. But secrecy has been proved to be of value.

Then what are the benefits of secrecy? First of all, it gives us a means of securing a selected membership. Theoretically, men might be as careful in admitting new members openly, but in practice it would not so result. In the second place, secrecy enables us to use much more effective vows of fidelity than an open declaration would provide. A third benefit lies in the fact that secrecy allows us to retain an archaic and highly poetical ceremony which harmonizes with a secret ritual and adds both charm and emphasis. Without privacy and secrecy this intriguing quality of archaism would soon be lost. Still another important benefit is in the provision of a means of testing those who claim to be members. Without a means of recognition of brethren and discovery of cowans, no Masonry wider than personal acquaintance would be possible. The fact that Freemasonry is world-wide without any world organization is closely associated with its secret ceremonies. We are sound psychologists when we speak often of the secrets and mysteries of Ancient Freemasonry.

Closely allied to this matter of secrecy and of recognition of visitors which I mentioned a moment ago, is the custom of "vouching". In some places there has come to be attached to "vouching" the meaning of "taking responsibility". This is not the proper meaning of the word. A Mason is allowed to vouch for another with whom he has sat in open lodge on an occasion which the voucher remembers so that he recalls both the occasion and the person. Moreover, the vouching for the visitor should be as of the date of the occasion remembered. If the occasion be not recent the vouching can hardly cover the matter of present good standing. Unbending rigidity is harmful, but this is a matter in which some looseness of practice exists, and in which care is necessary.

There is one matter of lodge practice which has a secret within a secret. That is the matter of balloting. Not only is it lodge business, the very existence of which an outsider has no right to know. In addition it involves a secret which is locked up in the heart of the one who ballots, even in respect to his brethren. It is doubly secret.

If you wish to read about some Masons who thought that they should take the law into their own hands to preserve Freemasonry's secrets, look up the story of the Morgan incident and the anti-Masonry campaign which began in the State of New York about 120 years ago and lasted for ten years or more. You will find it in several Masonic histories.

Most Worshipful Brother Branion, Prince Albert, read a paper on "The Publicity and Secrecy of Freemasonry" before the Banff Conference of Western Canadian Grand Lodge Officers in September, 1943. He has mimeographed copies of that paper, and so long as the supply lasts will send a copy to any brother on request.

Questions for debate.

1. Do you think that the first sentence of Section 208 on page 93 of the Constitution should be changed?

2. Do you think that we should do more than we do at letting non-Masons know about our benevolent work?

3. Do you feel embarrassed when interested people who are not Masons inquire about Masonry? If so, why? Before you get next month's Tracing Board, try to clear up in your own mind what you would say to such an inquirer.

THE PUBLICITY OF FREEMASONRY

In the October issue of the Tracing Board this page dealt with Secrecy. Now we deal with what is not secret about Freemasonry.

The foundation principles on which Freemasonry is built are not secret. They are open to the world. They have been published authoritatively by the chief Masonic bodies of the world, particularly by the Grand Lodges of England, Scotland, Ireland and many of the American Grand Lodges.

Fundamental among the principles of Freemasonry is the requirement that a candidate for membership must believe in a Supreme Being who has revealed His will to man and Who will reward virtue and punish vice; no atheist can be a Freemason. That is not secret. It may be told to any person. And beyond this Freemasonry does not require any particular form of religious belief in its members and will not either advocate or oppose any particular religious belief and will not allow its members to bring any religious controversy within the walls of the Lodge room. None the less, Freemasonry encourages every member to be actively loyal to his own religion and church.

Another principle is that a Mason must be loyal to the government of the land in which he lives. Freemasonry and conspiracy against a government cannot go together. Freemasonry insists upon the utmost freedom of opinion and expression in every citizen but will not express an official opinion on any question of municipal or national policy or practice, and will not allow discussions of such questions in its Lodges. To each member it says, "Be a loyal citizen, be active in your local and general government affairs, but do it all as a citizen and not as a Mason." It follows from this that no Grand Lodge and no Lodge and no Mason, as a Mason, will ever make or take part in any petition or request to any governmental body in favor of or against any government action. A man who is a Mason may and should, in his capacity as a citizen, take part in any such activity but he must not bring his Masonry into it.

A third principle of Freemasonry is benevolence. This is not secret, except as individual Masons keep to themselves their good deeds, and as Grand Lodge refrains from publishing the names of those who receive help. This benevolence is not something to be hidden. Much is published about it in the Annual Proceedings of Grand Lodge. No Mason need hesitate to describe Freemasonry as the world's most benevolent secret society and may refer inquirers to the "Proceedings" or invite the inquirer to read the "Proceedings". The fact that Masonry's benevolence is directed to members and the families of members is nothing to be hidden; it is natural; that is a fundamental purpose of Masonry in this respect.

Over and above and around these three principles: (1) recognition of a Supreme Being, (2) loyalty, and (3) benevolence, is the spirit of brotherhood to others and virtue in self. The purest principles of morality and brotherhood must ever characterize the true Mason. All this is not secret. The Constitution of Grand Lodge is not secret. The Proceedings of Grand Lodge are not secret. The issues of the Tracing Board are not secret. Every good Encyclopædia has an article on Freemasonry. Freemasonry does not practise any policy of advertising and will never offer inducements to any man to become a member, but it does not fear any honest inquiry. It minds its own business and has methods of teaching its truths to its own members which are not open to others. It is a society which has secrets rather than a secret society.

If a man is not a Mason and asks you the following questions, what will be your answer in each case?

1. Is there any difference between Masonry and Freemasonry?
2. Why do Masons wear aprons?

3. Why is there so much secrecy about Freemasonry?
4. How much does it cost to be a Mason?
5. If I join, what will I get out of it?
6. If you do not accept an application for membership will you tell the man why?
7. How much is your insurance or relief for a man with a family?
8. Why are Masonic Lodges not a part of the Community Chest?

THE GRAND LODGE PROCEEDINGS, 1945

R.W. Brother W. W. Snider

The following questions have been arranged not so much to form a formal "Quiz" as to encourage a more careful perusal of the published Proceedings. Certain parts are assigned as "Prescribed Reading," by Grand Lodge. Why stop there? Read further, and, regardless of your individual Masonic hobby, you will find help and learn what others are thinking along the same line. You will discover the interesting paths that Masonic leaders are blazing and you will have the pleasure of reading what the G. M. of Alberta described as a "prose-poem" oration.

1. Physical Requirements are still to the fore in many Grand Lodges.
   (a) What divergent views are held? P. 73, 167, 181, 203.
   (b) Which of Mackey's landmarks is quoted in this connection?
   (c) Should imperfection caused by war be treated differently?
2. Full discussion in "open lodge" is recommended regarding any application for benevolent fund grant. p. 85.
   (a) Do you think this shows the true Masonic spirit?
   (b) How is this handled by your lodge to ensure fairness all round?
3. (a) To what lodge did Roosevelt belong?
   (b) What rank must he have held? p. 76.
4. What are "The Five Common Weaknesses" found in a lodge? p. 46.
5. Where were the first three lodges in India situated? p. 91.
6. (a) What Grand Lodge had to censure a brother because of Political action? p. 184.
   (b) What other G.M. also felt it his duty to warn the brethren against similar action? p. 174.
7. (a) What is the attitude of the G.L. of England towards appeals for donations from lodges? p. 169.
   (b) Have you any definite policy in your lodge in this respect?
   (c) What reference is made to this in our constitution?
8. Why should special care be exercised now in the selection of candidates? p. 170, 173, 175.
9. (a) What is the probable cost of the George Washington Memorial? p. 171.
   (b) Where is it situated?
   (c) How is it financed?
10. (a) What Grand Jurisdiction has a special Bureau for placing men in employment? p. 192
    (b) Would one be feasible in Saskatchewan?
11. Are you interested in statistics? The following are just a few samples found on pages 124 to 131. Can you explain them?
    (a) Lodge No. 3 lists no arrears yet it is not in the Honour List on page 49.

(b) Lodge No. 107 started the year with 42 members, it initiated 9, yet it shows 50 as in arrears for 12 months.
(c) Lodge No. 87 has 38 members. The records show an average attendance of 46 for its 14 meetings, yet it is not given special mention on page 46. This lodge must attract lots of visitors.
(d) Lodge No. 56 lists 20 members, only one meeting held, average attendance 5. Was this Lodge meeting perfect? How do you interpret section No. 119 of our constitution?
(e) How is it possible to have 14 regular meetings in one year?
(f) How about checking your own lodge to learn how it stands in your own district and in the province as a whole.

BOOKS ON MASONRY

W. Bro. J. E. Campbell

There are many important books on Masonry with which most Masonic students are familiar but which are unknown to the majority of Masons and particularly to the younger members of the Craft. It is the duty of every Brother to acquire more knowledge of the science than is to be learned in our assemblies. In the cities and larger towns there are some very good Masonic Libraries. Many older Masons have private libraries and are willing at all times to share their books with their Brethren. In this paper several standard books will be discussed with a view to attracting the interest of the membership in the inner meaning and the outer expression of our world-spread Fraternity.

Short Talks on Masonry by Newton—1928.

This well-written book contains thirty-four brief Talks on many different phases of interpretative and applied Masonry. It is divided into two parts. Part I is entitled Symbolism; Part II, Service. In the first part he interprets such symbols as the letter G, the Altar, the Square, the Compasses, the Level, the Plumb, the common Gavel, the Cable Tow, etc. The chapters of Part I open to the newly made Mason the wonderland of the Fraternity. Part II consists of fourteen essays. Several of these deal with applied Masonry or Masonry at work. For example, it has such topics as the Practice of Toleration, Opportunity for Brotherhood, Freedom of Faith and Masonic Citizenship. It has several philosophical treatises—The Wonder of Masonry, Three Things I Know, The Oldest Symbol of Man. It is a splendid book for Masonic speakers as each Talk is a basis for a fine Masonic address.

Introduction to Freemasonry by Claudy—1931.

This book is divided into three parts, one for each of the Three Degrees. Its purpose is to enable the candidate to understand the reality of our rites, the meaning of our mysteries, the truth of our tenets and the significance of our symbols. It answers the simple elementary inquiries of the new Brother, to whom all the Craft is strange. The book is interesting, informative, lucid in style—a veritable textbook on the Three Degrees.

Symbolical Masonry by Haywood—1923.

After the author had taken his degrees in Masonry he sought for a book to explain the ritual in which he had participated. He was told there was no such book in existence and that it was the most badly needed volume in the whole field of Freemasonry. This was a challenge to him. So with the help of Masonic literature belonging to the Grand Lodge of Iowa, he wrote this book. He found the work so attractive that he decided to devote all his time to Masonic research. The book explains everything from the petition for membership to the completion of the Ceremony of the Third Degree. This text is useful not only to beginners but may be read with pleasure and profit by veteran Masonic scholars.

Foreign Countries by Claudy—1925.

The author says that this little book is but the interpretation and the development of certain symbols, as he has studied them for himself. This is a very delightful book, not only in its subject matter but in the novel presentation of the same. Here are the titles of some of the chapters: Blind, Entry, World, Winding Stairs, Tools, Rough and Perfect, Fear, Sublime, Lost, Time, Acacia and Euclid 47.

The Builders by Newton—1914.

The author points out that the purpose of this book is to tell a young man entering the Order the antecedents of Masonry, its development, its philosophy, its mission, and its ideal. With this in mind he has prepared, with great skill, a brief, simple and vivid account of the origin, growth and teaching of the Order. He deals with the organization of the Grand Lodge of England and makes reference to two Great Masons, Anderson and Desaguliers. The former was the father of the Constitution; the latter, the author of the Ritual. In his chapter on Universal Masonry, he traces the development of the Order in America, Europe and the Far East. The final chapters are lectures on three important subjects. (a) What is Masonry? (b) The Masonic Philosophy. (c) The Spirit of Masonry.

Questions:

1. What is the interpretation of: the letter G, the Altar, the Cable Tow, the Ashlars, the Common Gavel, the Globes?
2. What was the approximate date of the passage of Operative Masonry into Speculative Masonry in England?
4. When was the Grand Lodge of England organized?
5. When was the first authority issued for the assembling of Freemasons in America?
6. When and where was the first Masonic Lodge in Canada constituted?

ACTING ON THE SQUARE

W. Bro. C. G. Schmitt

"To your neighbor by acting with him on the square."

The philosophy of Masonry embraces a complete code of ethics, and in this quotation is found the essence of that portion of the code which relates to the standard of conduct towards others. The square as an emblem of right-doing has become as world wide as Masonry itself. It has become a measuring stick of neighborly dealing.

Who is our "neighbor"? This question has been answered by a Great Teacher in the parable of the Good Samaritan—not only our brethren in the Craft, not only those within our own circle of friends, but those of every creed and station in life. We have certain special obligations towards our brethren in Masonry particularly with reference to relief and charity, but Masonry emphasizes our duty towards our fellowmen, and we are in duty bound to act honourably by all men.

The word "neighbor" however has a wider significance than that which is obvious in the parable mentioned. All may be prepared to use the square as a guide in dealing with individuals but there are those who consider that in dealing with governmental authorities a different standard of conduct is justified. Today the personal rights of the individual are often restricted and obligations placed upon us for the benefit of the common good. It is essential that members of the Craft set an example in the community in assuming cheerfully their proper obligations and duties. If an individual does not assume and carry his full share of income taxes as required by law, receives a greater share of goods, whether rationed or not, than that to

which he is fairly entitled, or contravenes any other governmental regulation designed to do equity among people, he thereby affects the rights of others prejudicially and offends against the injunction to act towards his neighbor on the square.

By the very nature of our Order we keep our "good works" hidden under a bushel. The public is given very little opportunity to judge of the contribution which the Craft makes in the building of character, the development of good citizenship, and the relief of distress. The Craft is judged solely by the everyday life of its members in the community. A chain is no stronger than its weakest link and the reputation of the Craft, particularly in the smaller communities, is determined by the conduct of those members who are the least faithful to its tenets and principles. When the individual member fails to observe that straight and undeviating line of conduct symbolized by the square the whole Craft suffers.

The increase in membership of the Craft in this Province in recent years is a matter of satisfaction. But when candidates are numerous and we are all very busy with our own work there is danger of lack of care on our part. Any such lack of care may bring harm to the Craft in years to come.

Masonry possesses valuable privileges—privileges of friendship, of service and of advancement in knowledge. But these privileges are only for those who have conformed and will conform to the best and highest traditions in dealing with their fellowmen. Masonry is not a reform school, and a man who has acquired a reputation of unfair dealing between himself and his neighbor should not find the doors of Masonry open to him. Quality, not quantity, should remain our watchword in the matter of membership. Among our fellowmen there are thousands who possess those fundamental qualities of character and that vision which characterize our conception of the ideal Free Mason. From the ranks of these Masonry can recruit its future members, and thereby maintain the esteem and confidence which the Craft enjoys.

Questions for Discussion: 1. What is a member's duty if he has definite knowledge of a single dishonest act by a candidate for Masonry?

2. What act or course of conduct constitutes the Masonic offence.
   (a) "Wronging a Mason by Fraud?" (Constitution page 107).
   (b) "Committing any other act which may have a tendency to bring discredit to the Craft."?

3. What steps, if any, should a Lodge take if one of its members persists in a course of conduct which brings discredit upon the Lodge? Who should begin those steps?

BENEVOLENT FUND NIGHT

M.W. Bro. Douglas Fraser

"Whose heart is expanded by benevolence."

On installation the W.M. is charged to "forcibly impress" upon the brethren the essentiality of the constant practice of those excellent and fundamental virtues: B. L., R., and T., so that to be known as a Mason by the world-at-large is to be accepted as "one whose hand is guided by justice and whose heart is expanded by benevolence." Reputation is what others believe you to be, character is what you know yourself really to be; and if you are in very truth a just and generous man according to Masonic standards then you have "arrived at the summit of Masonry."

By derivation the word "Benevolence" means literally "the will to do good" and the dictionary meanings are "good will," "charitableness," "love of mankind with a desire to promote their happiness."

We are, perhaps, too prone to approach the practice of this virtue with limitations and objectively,—over-stressing the material aspect. We inter-

pret Charity in the sense of "Relief" rather than "Love." True, the Grand Lodge Benevolent Fund is a great and lasting monument to the practical application of this virtue by the Masons of this jurisdiction. When we consider that in forty years there has been accumulated a fund of such proportions and that there has been disbursed during the same period an amount equal to or greater than the present capital of the fund, we are proud of our united effort and grateful to those who established, supported and administered the fund throughout the years. It is very important and has accomplished great good and will accomplish much more. But, after all, Grand Lodge Benevolence and Masonic benevolence in Saskatchewan are not the same thing; the one is only a part of the other. Lodges and Masons have not by establishing the Grand Lodge Benevolent Fund relieved themselves of Masonic benevolent duties.

It would be too bad if they had. And for two reasons. First, because Grand Lodge benevolence can never reach all the needs of which lodges and Masons have knowledge. And secondly because of the effects of benevolence upon the one who practises it. Look back at the definitions of benevolence in our second paragraph above. You cannot read them without being reminded of the Grand Design of Freemasonry—that of being happy and communicating happiness. Nor can you read them without being reminded that he who does not personally practice benevolence is starving his own soul.

"Charity comprehends the whole" and, so far as the individual is concerned, might better be translated "Love." If you care to follow that idea futher take time to read I Corinthians, Chapter 13. Paul was a deep thinker.

"There will always be, in this world, wrongs to forgive, suffering to alleviate, sorrow asking for sympathy, necessities and destitution to relieve and ample occasion for the excercise of active charity and benevolence."

"There needs to be more of the ancient fellowship among us; more tenderness for each other's faults; more forgiveness; more solicitude for each other's improvement and good fortune; and somewhat more of brotherly feeling ,that it be not shame to use the word "brethren."

"A loving heart is the beginning of all knowledge."

Questions for Discussion. 1. What is the amount of Grand Lodge Benevolent Fund (Proceedings 1945, p. 89).

2. (a) How did our payments to needy persons in 1944-45 compare with such payments in 1941-42? What is the percentage of change?
   (b) Give three reasons for a smaller number of beneficiaries in 1945 than in 1942. Do you think that those reasons will continue to operate during the next three years? (See page 85 in 1945 Proceedings).
3. Turn to page 152 of the 1945 Proceedings and answer questions 1, 3 and 4.
4. If we had no Grand Lodge Benevolent Fund would the Masons of Saskatchewan do better benevolent work. (a) In their Lodges? (b) As individual Masons?

MASONRY, WHAT IT IS AND WHAT IT IS NOT

(Material by the late M.W. Bro. H. M. Underhill in 1937 Proceedings, p. 122, in part rearranged.)

Masonic history reveals that the progress of the Craft has been held up and in some cases entirely disorganized because its leaders have not understood what Freemasonry was and what it was not. We of the present generation have inherited Masonry from the generations gone before and it is our duty to pass it on to the generations to follow lovingly preserved and radiant with proper use.

If you will reflect on your main reason for joining Freemasonry you will have taken your first step to an understanding of this subject. The story is simple and yet is basic. You came to Masonry of your own free will and

accord representing yourself to be a man, free born, of mature age and under the tongue of good report. You further represented that you believed in a Supreme Being, that He had revealed His will to man and that in all cases of difficulty and danger you placed your trust in Him. Masonry asked you why you wanted to join the Order and you declared it was a general desire for knowledge and a sincere wish to make yourself more serviceable to your fellow creatures. You were seeking light. You wanted to be taught and you looked to Masonry to be your teacher. This was indeed a worthy purpose. So worthy that Masonry, in effect, said to you, "Brother, come in. You have divined the very purpose of Masonry. We will assist you and may the M.H. prosper our united endeavours." Without any doubt, your first official connection with Masonry was on a definite understanding that you were a student and that Masonry was to be your teacher.

Your next step towards a greater understanding of Freemasonry came from your appreciation of Masonic fellowship. As you look back over the years and think of the fellowship with, not only members of your own lodge, but of other lodges in different parts of the world, you realize that each one came to Masonry as you did, seeking a Master Teacher in order that greater service could be rendered to mankind. Then, your wonder grew because you understood that all these Brethren, the wide world over, represented different races, nationalities, religions and creeds and yet together in Masonry upon a common ground, you were united in the common study. Thus you saw that Masonry was your teacher, the subject matter fellowship, and you and every other member, its students.

Then your further step was to appreciate the peculiar method of teaching which Masonry employs. You found that the tools and methods of operative Masons have become symbols of personal and social duties and privileges. And bound up with these are certain ancient landmarks, customs and usages without which Masonry would not be Masonry. You saw that harmony is essential, that discord has no place in Masonry and that the discussion of religions and politics is expressly excluded.

Thus you came to see clearly what Masonry is not. It is not a commercial Benefit Society, a Literary Society, a Debating Club, a Service Club, a Board of Trade, a Political or International Peace Society, or a League of Nations. Especially is it not a religion, though its teachings have a religious basis. It cannot take the place of any religion or church but on the contrary is their handmaiden.

Finally, remember again that Masonry is a way of life and that you and all its other members are students seeking to learn of the science and art of living according to the Will of the Most High so that you may become ever better qualified to perform your duty to God, your neighbour and yourself; that it is your duty to apply these teachings in your own life, in your home, the society in which you live and the institutions that you may be connected with. In other words, your practice of the principles taught by Masonry is an individual responsibility which you cannot evade. Neither your Lodge nor Grand Lodge can relieve you of it. If you fail, the failure is yours.

MASONRY IN THE WORLD TODAY

By M.W. Bro. Robert Young

What is Freemasonry? It is a very great and important organization occupying a unique position in a most troubled world. It occupies that position on account of its own fundamental principles, its tradition and its attitude down through the centuries. Freemasonry is a union of many unions. It is an association of men bound together in a struggle to attain all that is noble; men who desire what is true and beautiful; men who desire

and practice virtue for its own sake. That is Freemasonry. It is not a restricted Masonry, and therefore it cannot fruitfully live in a regimented or totalitarian state. Without freedom it is not Freemasonry. We are created free men, endowed with ability to think, reason and choose for ourselves. From this very fact arises our individual responsibility before the Great Architect of the Universe for our conduct through life.

Whence came Freemasonry? What is its origin? Is it derived through the Crusades and the Orders of Chivalry which then flourished? Did it start with the building of King Solomon's Temple and the Guard of Secrecy then used to preserve the temple from pollution? Or has Freemasonry existed both after and before the Crusading Middle Ages, and the founding of Christianity and the time of King Solomon? The form has varied much, but such records as we have from ancient Greece, and from more ancient Egypt and from other sources show clearly that in some form or other the spirit of fraternity has always existed. Fraternity is the soul of Freemasonry and therefore are we able to claim that Freemasonry, in spirit at least, was coincident with the formation of human society and during the course of the ages the mind of man has finally evolved that noble form of fraternity which we now know and enjoy.

What then is the mission of Freemasonry in the troubled world of today? To answer this question we must first recognize that the core of the matter is not so much corporate decision as individual action. We cannot expect to enjoy the freedom and the privileges which we possess without assuming both collective and individual responsibility. We must then exemplify citizenship of the highest order. We must believe in the Great Architect of the Universe; in the fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man; in the dignity of the human race. We must practise charity and obey the laws of the land in which we live. We must maintain without flagging the great principles of our Order. Thus will Freemasonry achieve its purpose by the fidelity to its principles of the rank and file of its membership.

Questions:

1. Of what importance to us is the origin of Freemasonry?
2. In what sense, if any, are we, as Freemasons, custodians of the principle upon which the peace of the world must finally rest?
3. Would it be good policy to have a Supreme Grand Lodge over all the Grand Lodges in the world?

FOUNDERS OF MODERN MASONRY

(Taken from an article by Bro. G. R. Dolan, M.A., in Grand Lodge Proceedings 1935 at pages 136 to 139.)

In this discussion we deal with the transition from the Guild Masons to the new Freemasons. To the forms and traditions of the old, were given new interpretations which interested the scholar, and which culminated in a national order, united under the Grand Lodge to which all classes were eligible.

Sir Christopher Wren—This Great Architect lived from 1632 to 1723. He was probably the most distinguished Mason of his time, but did not help the lodges very much.

Elias Ashmole—His diary tells that he was made a Free Mason at 4:30 on October 16, 1646, and that on March 10, 1682, he was admitted to the "Fellowship." Apparently there were only two degrees of membership at that time. His death marks fairly well the time when membership became general instead of being restricted to stonemasons.

Anthony Sayer was the first Grand Master of the first Grand Lodge formed in London in 1717 and it had only 4 lodges.

George Payne was the second Grand Master. In 1720 he drew up a set of Regulations which were, in effect, the first Book of Constitution. At the close of his second term as Grand Master he presumed to select John, Duke of Montgomery, as his successor, and, strangely enough, this office ever since has been held by a member of nobility or of royalty.

Dr. Desaguliers—The first Grand Master received most of his inspiration from Dr. Jno. T. Desaguliers, who has been termed the Father of Modern Speculative Masonry. He was the son of a French Protestant clergyman, was educated at Oxford, specialized in Experimental Philosophy, lectured before the King, was a Fellow of the Royal Society, joined the Masonic order and displayed great oratorical powers in conferring the Degrees. He held the office of Grand Master in 1719 and was especially interested in shaping the ritual to embody the old forms with new interpretations. He worked in close co-operation with Payne and attracted to the order men of learning, who were naturally interested in its philosophic and ethical teachings. He took a prominent part in the deliberations of Grand Lodge till his death in 1744. During these years he had a share in every undertaking or function. He introduced the practice of having the brethren properly vouched for, attacked pamphlets or exposures which now appeared, and proposed regulations to guard the Secrets of the Craft. He organized the Committee on Charity, which later became one of the most important branches of the order. He acted as Grand Master in 1731, when Francis, Emperor of Germany, was made a member, and in 1737, when the Prince of Wales joined the order. Some writers ascribe to him the drafting of the Third Degree, but more likely it grew gradually, and developed into a third Ceremony. There is no doubt that in collaboration with Sayer and Dr. Anderson he rearranged a great deal of the old ritual, co-ordinated its parts, gave it a definite meaning, and reinterpreted the former language of operative Masonry, giving it new moral and ethical meanings. Masonry still attracts the better men in the community, by the beauty of its language, the depth of its philosophy and its unusual ethical teaching.

Dr. James Anderson—This Scottish Minister, who was a native of Aberdeen and moved to London about 1710, was English Freemasonry's first great historian. Three editions of his work were published in 1723, 1728 and 1738. He died in 1739. Much of our knowledge of the facts of Masonry up to that time we owe to him. Some students think that part of the fine ceremonial work accredited to Dr. Desaguliers really belongs to Dr. Anderson. In any event the two worked together and we owe much to them.

Questions· 1. What were the Guilds? Why was the Grand Lodge formed in 1717? 3. How did the admission of non-operative Masons influence the Masonic system? 4. Was the founding of Speculative Masonry an important event in English social history?

Reference: Claudy's "Introduction to Freemasonry."

MODERN TRENDS IN FREEMASONRY

In many parts of Europe Freemasonry is dormant or struggling to rise from repression and oppression of its membership and from confiscation and destruction of its property. How soon or how triumphantly it can rise remains to be seen. Its recovery will not be uniform over the continent; some countries already show remarkable recovery, notably Denmark and Holland. Others are much less certain. It has been charged that in some European countries before the War, Freemasonry as an institution was actively engaged in politics and was closely identified with political parties and in-

volved in political controversy. If this, in rare instances was wholly or partially true, surely now in reconstruction, a wholesome lesson has been learned. And surely on the other hand one other lesson is plain, that Masons are first of all citizens and as citizens must with all other citizens see to it that all the ancient freedoms and rights of the individual are asserted and maintained. A Mason's first duty after his duty to God is to his King and Country. It is worth while to read again and again what our ancient charges say about this subject.

In the years around the close of the First Great War the membership of our lodges greatly increased. Perhaps we were not careful enough in selecting material. In any event, when the depression years came our membership was much reduced. Not only were candidates few, but in the year 1935 in North America about one member in every nine, and in Canada about one in every 25 were suspended for N.P.D. In the last three years many of these suspended brethren have recovered their Masonic Fellowship and great numbers of new members have been received. It behooves us now to see that these new Masons are so grounded in the principles and so engaged in the work of Masonry that even hard times will not result in another "depression" for our Order.

Superficial knowledge and casual attendance at Lodge will not do. The war has cost the world in general and Masonry in particular too much for that. The men who have returned from the war are demanding stronger food intellectually than they did before they went into the wilderness alone. They long for Brotherly Love, but they hunger for Masonic Truth. How much deeper into Masonic truth and Masonic work have you and your Lodge gone than you did before the War? No longer may you depend upon ritual, formality and ceremony. We must use something deeper, richer and more satisfying. We have it in the rich treasure of Masonic tradition, history and philosophy. Masonic research and education coupled with Masonic living and conscious fellowship with the Most High will provide that fellowship and that growth of spirit which men's souls demand.

Masonry is not just a collection of like-minded people who enjoy each others' company. The Mason who would serve Masonry and his country best now must devote his time to mastering the fundamentals of this great system of philosophy and then put them into daily practice as an individual citizen. His job is to live Masonry and be a steadying influence not only to his Brethren, but in the community where he lives. Along this path lies the way to Light, to Knowledge, and to Power for Good.

Questions:

(1) What should be a Mason's attitude towards (a) the home, (b) the church, (c) lotteries, (d) the legislature, (e) civil authority, (f) community welfare?

(2) Is it true that only the spirit and practice of Masonry can restore tranquility to a distracted world?

(3) Compare this study with the one by M.W. Bros. Douglas Fraser and W. B. Tate on page 132 of the 1936 Proceedings of Grand Lodge. (Debt to that study is acknowledged.)

Report of Committee on Foreign Correspondence

Your Committee on Foreign Correspondence presents herewith a review of the proceedings of sister Jurisdictions which had been received by May the 1st, 1946. The outstanding circumstances in connection with Masonry in English-speaking countries is the general increase in membership. Practically every Grand Lodge reports a gain and in several instances very substantial gains — in some cases as great, and in some cases greater than the increases during and after the First World War. Many Grand Masters, while commenting favourably upon the gains, are warning all the lodges as to the need of careful investigation of all petitions and fear is expressed that the reaction which occurred following the last war, when heavy losses were sustained, may again occur. Some Grand Masters go so far as to say that they are not interested in the large increase in members but are interested in the character of the initiates and in whether or not they will remain in the Fraternity and take an active part in it. An interesting table of statistics has been compiled by Charles C. Hunt, the Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Iowa. The table shows that every Grand Lodge in the United States and Canada reported an increase in 1944. The aggregate gain in the United States is placed at 161,533, with a total membership of 2,722,288; in Canada the gain is estimated at 7,129 with a total membership of 175,605. The figures for 1945 are not yet available but it is safe to say that the total increase will compare favourably with that of 1944.

The subject of physical qualifications is troubling many Grand Lodges and there is a tendency to relax the restrictions. The same situation existed after the last war and was caused by a desire to admit applicants who had been maimed as the result of war services. Some Grand Lodges adhere to the view that the doctrine of physical qualifications is a Landmark and cannot be modified or changed by any action a Grand Lodge sees fit to take. The majority however do not agree with the view of Dr. Mackey that the doctrine is a Landmark and they accept the view that it is a matter for legislation by each Grand Lodge, and that so long as a candidate can conform with the ceremonies, provided he is otherwise acceptable, the fact that he is maimed should not be a barrier; each case should be considered on its merits. In some Grand Lodges it is a matter to be decided by the Master and in many a subject for dispensation by the Grand Master.

Grand Lodges in Central and South America and in Mexico are receiving more favourable consideration for recognition, it being generally felt that in the interest of international relations this is a proper course to pursue. In 1944 a Committee was appointed by the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts headed by M.W. Bro. M. M. Johnson, the Grand Secretary, to study the situation in Mexico. The Chairman of the Committee visited Mexico and gained first hand information as to many of the Grand Lodges there, including the York Grand Lodge, which formerly claimed jurisdiction over all Mexico but now claims jurisdiction over English-speaking Masonry only. There are 20 Grand Lodges in the various Mexican States working in the Spanish language and of these 10 were visited. As a matter of information it should be stated that there is a Federal District in Mexico corresponding to the District of Columbia in the United States, and 28 states corresponding to the 48 states in the American Union. In reporting to the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts the Committee stated that they desire to assume responsibility for stating that many Grand Lodges were not giving fair treatment to Freemasonry in Mexico; for many years there had been conflicting stories about the chaotic condition which had existed for a long time but now that condition has substantially righted itself. The York Grand Lodge is recognized by 47 Jurisdictions in the United States, by the Grand Lodge of England and by all Jurisdictions in Canada. It is composed entirely of English-speak-

ing members. There is some doubt as to its future because the English population is dwindling by reason of the Government's policy of allowing employment therein of Mexican citizens only so far as possible. So long, however, as the York Grand Lodge continues to function it is clearly entitled to recognition; this fact however does not prevent the recognition of other Grand Lodges in Mexico provided that they meet the requirements. According to the report submitted by the Committee of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts, a confederation of Grand Lodges was established in Mexico in 1939, those only being admitted which comply with certain requirements, which are as follows:

(1) Regularity of origin; (2) belief in the Great Architect of the Universe; (3) admission of men exclusively; (4) sovereignty of Grand Lodges; (5) recognition of the Three Great Lights of Masonry: the Volume of the Sacred Law, the Square and Compasses; (6) that Masonry is not sectarian and that it does not admit discussions concerning religion and politics; (7) exclusive territorial jurisdiction.

These tests of legitimacy are in substantial accord with the standards set up by all the leading Grand Lodges of the world. In its report the Committee named 18 Grand Lodges in Mexico which are members of the confederation and entitled by their principles to recognition and they recommended that the Grand Master be authorized to grant recognition in the case of any of the 18 Grand Lodges which have already applied for recognition and of others which may hereafter apply if in his judgment they substantially conform to the standards for recognition required by the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts. The report and recommendations were accepted by the Grand Lodge. It is interesting to note the result of the report on the action of some of the Grand Lodges in the United States. One Grand Lodge extended recognition to all the 18 Mexican Grand Lodges, members of the confederation, while another neighbouring Jurisdiction refused to take any action towards recognition at present, and another very recently on an application of one of the Mexican Grand Lodges, decided to defer any action until the next Annual Communication. However there is no doubt that as a result of the report of the committee of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts there will be a greater tendency to favourably consider any application for recognition received from Mexico, and the way is made easier now because differences between the York Grand Lodge and the other Mexican Grand Lodges appear to have been resolved.

Another subject worthy of mention concerns the action of the Masonic Service Association of the United States in sending a Commission of leading Masons to Europe to study the condition of Masonry in the European countries with the object of ascertaining whether American Masonry can be of assistance in re-establishing the institution in countries where it has been suppressed. It is generally recognized that any action in the matter must depend to a very large extent on the attitude of governments in the respective countries.

Fraternally submitted,

W. M. MARTIN, Chairman

ALABAMA

125th Annual Communication at Montgomery, November 20th and 21st, 1945. Grand Master J. M. Jones. Lodges 407. Members 44,993. Gain 6101. All officers were in attendance and four Past Grand Masters were present. 259 Lodges were represented. The representatives of 38 sister Jurisdictions were present, Saskatchewan being represented by M.W. Bro. Joseph C. Pruett. The representatives were welcomed by the Grand Master and asked to extend the greetings of the Grand Lodge of Alabama to their respective Jurisdictions.

The Grand Master said that since the last Annual Meeting the fond hopes cherished that war would soon cease had been fulfilled; the nation had been triumphant in victory and the responsibility of building a real universal peace must now be faced; for the position occupied by America in the world grateful thanks should be given.

The Grand Master was handicapped in travelling over the State due to war restrictions but in the course of his duties he travelled 12,000 miles visiting the Lodges and attending conferences.

A Special Communication was held for the purpose of conducting the funeral of M.W. Bro. William L. Lee, Grand Master in 1932-33. The Grand Master paid tribute to the services rendered by this distinguished brother. There was also a Special Communication to lay the cornerstone of the new Lodge building at Manchester.

The Grand Master issued a number of dispensations for petitioners who were in military service. He also issued many dispensations for maimed candidates upon receiving sufficient information from the Lodges concerned that the candidates were otherwise eligible and with the assurance that they would not become a charge on the Fraternity.

The finances appear to be in a sound position. The total receipts for the Masonic home amounted to $113,000 and the expenditure including an amount for outside assistance was less than $40,000.

There is no published review of correspondence.

ALBERTA

40th Annual Communication at Calgary, June 13th and 14th, 1945. Grand Master William Ireland. Lodges 160. Members 11,524. Gain 664. There was a full attendance of Grand Lodge officers and 13 past Grand Masters were present. 45 Jurisdictions were represented among them Saskatchewan by M.W. Bro. W. J. Botterill. Visitors were present from the Grand Lodges of Manitoba and Saskatchewan. The Mayor of Calgary R.W. Bro. Andrew Davison, was introduced and extended a welcome on behalf of the City.

A Service of Thanksgiving was conducted by R.W. Bro. John House, the Grand Chaplain. The Grand Master presented commissions from the Grand Lodges of Venezuela, Indiana and Georgia to three brethren, appointing each to act as Representatives of the respective Grand Lodges near the Grand Lodge of Alberta. A reception was accorded the Grand Representatives present, the Grand Master stating that they were a link in the great chain of brotherhood which unites Masons throughout the world. He asked them to convey to their respective Jurisdictions the greetings and best wishes of the Grand Lodge of Alberta.

The Grand Master in opening his address stated that when they met a year ago there was fear for the success of the armies in Normandy but now the forces of the enemy were routed and had unconditionally surrendered to the Allied Nations. He said that continental Europe had suffered darkness for five long years with her populations driven into slavery and many of them tortured in hideous manner; it was inconceivable that humanity could sink so low as to commit such fiendish acts on fellow human beings; wars must cease and everyone must use his best endeavours not to tolerate conditions which would engender another world war.

The Grand Master made reference to Franklin D. Roosevelt as one of the world's greatest heroes; he was an aristocrat with democratic tendencies and was the friend of his fellow man who gave so much that his feeble body could not withstand the assaults frequently made upon him; he will go down in history as one of the world's greatest statesmen.

In referring to the district meetings, the Grand Master said that they were all well attended and that great interest was manifested in the proceedings. He is of the opinion that these meetings afford a wonderful opportunity for the Grand Master to meet the Brethren.

The Grand Master dealt with the subject of physical qualifications stating that the question of relaxing the rule is one which every Grand Master is called upon to answer especially during or following a war. He stated that there was much to be said for relaxing the rule, especially in the case of men maimed in the war; he thinks the constitution gives the Grand Master ample scope to use his discretion and on all six occasions when he was asked for a dispensation he granted it, being of the opinion that where a man is of good moral worth, capable of caring for his family and not likely to be a charge on the Lodge, he should be given an opportunity to become a member.

Reference was made by the Grand Master to the annual Conference at Banff of the officers of the four western Jurisdictions in Canada. He thinks the value of the Conference is becoming more apparent each year as the subjects discussed and the papers delivered help to prepare Grand Lodge officers for the year when they are called upon to occupy the highest position in the gift of the Fraternity.

The Grand Master attended the 50th Anniversary of North West Mounted Police Lodge No. 11, at Regina, and spoke of the occasion as a "never-to-be-forgotten experience."

The Committee on Foreign Relations referred to a survey of Masonry in Mexico made by the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts in which it was stated that various Grand Lodges are not giving fair treatment to Masonry in Mexico. Alberta has however had no direct communication from any Mexican Grand Lodge and until it does is not in a position to consider the matter; it has for some years been in Fraternal correspondence with the York Grand Lodge of Mexico.

The proceedings of 60 Jurisdictions are reviewed in the report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence. The Saskatchewan proceedings for 1944 receive very full treatment. There are references to the Benevolent Fund, to the Masonic Education program, and to the deaths of two past Grand Masters, M.W. Bro. C. O. Davidson and M.W. Bro. F. B. Reilly.

CALIFORNIA

96th Annual Communication at San Francisco, October 12th, 1945. Grand Master G. C. DeForest. Lodges 583. Members 150,368. Gain 11,630. After the opening ceremony the National Flag was presented. There was a full attendance of officers and 365 Lodges were represented.

The Grand Master reviewed the reasons why the regular session could not be held and why a one-day session had been determined upon. His proclamations concerning the subject are published in full in the proceedings. He announced that no legislation would be enacted and no controversial matters discussed.

In his address the Grand Master said that while the year had been one of much sorrow it had also been a year of rejoicing for complete victory had come in both the European and Pacific wars; dictators had been conquered and steps are now being taken to establish a progressive form of Government in countries formerly ruled by force.

In referring to the Grand Lodge of the Philippines the Grand Master said that the Grand Lodge of California had been contacting members of the lodges, receiving from them their dues in trust and issuing a certificate of good standing in order that these men might not lose their Masonic connection. He reported that both the Grand Master and Deputy Grand Master of the

Philippines had been killed by the Japanese. A campaign was undertaken to raise funds for the Philippines and has met with a generous response. The Grand Lodge of the Philippines has been reformed and is again operating.

A Special Communication was held at San Francisco on February 24th, 1945 for the purpose of conducting the funeral of M.W. Bro. Albert E. Boynton, Past Grand Master.

The Grand Secretary presented an interesting table of membership showing that the present membership is at an all-time high. In the year 1931 the peak was reached at 142,422, after which there was a decline to 125,842 in 1941. Since the latter date there has been an annual increase until now the membership is 150,368; an increase for the year exceeding 11,000 appears to achieve a record.

The Committee on Clandestine Masonry reported many Spanish-speaking people, especially in the Los Angeles area, and suggested the establishment of a Lodge to confer work in the Spanish language.

There are two Masonic Homes, one at Decoto and the other at Covina. At Decoto there were 262 residents, men and women, and at Covina 78 children. The cost of maintenance of the Decoto home was $126,663, the per capita for the year being $475.00. The maintenance of the Home at Covina cost about $91,000, a per capita cost of $1,180.

The Committee on Correspondence presented a topical review. In a foreword it is stated that only one Jurisdiction in the United States reported a loss in membership, and the aggregate gain was 85,698. The Chairman of the Committee recently returned from a 72,000 mile trip by air during which he visited the Philippines where he discussed Masonic matters shortly after liberation from the domination of the Japanese. On his visit to London he interviewed officers of the Grand Lodge of England and stated that he found that the Grand Lodge of England insists with respect to foreign Jurisdictions that they adhere to traditional Masonic principles, that they be in harmony with the National Government of their country, and that the men concerned are of correct standing. The Chairman reported that later he saw the wisdom of this policy in his travels throughout Europe. The subjects commonly discussed in many Jurisdictions are physical qualifications, Ancient Landmarks and post-war policies and much of the report is devoted to these subjects.

CANADA IN ONTARIO

90th Annual Communication at Toronto, July 11th, 1945. Lodges 569. Members 96,171. Gain 3122. Because of restrictions on travel and hotel accommodation the Grand Master cancelled the previous arrangement for the Annual Communication and issued a new call under date of June 27th for a meeting which, including the meeting of the Board of General Purposes, would take only one day. He also instructed the District Deputy Grand Masters of 14 Districts located some distance from Toronto to call a meeting in their respective Districts previous to July 11th for the election of a District Deputy for the ensuing year. The attendance at the Annual Meeting was thus restricted to a territory within a radius of 100 to 125 miles from Toronto, a distance not regarded as excessive for travel by automobile, and the Grand Master requested that those planning to attend would refrain from using the railways and from asking over-night hotel accommodation.

In addressing the Brethren the Grand Master referred to the end of the War in Europe, stating that it took a toll of many of the youth and bringing sadness to many homes. A service of Thanksgiving was prepared by a Committee appointed by the Grand Master and issued to the Lodges with instructions to hold such service as soon as possible after Germany's surrender. The Grand Master paid tribute to the late President of the United States,

FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT. He stated that he made no comment on the domestic affairs of the United States but said that as citizens of the world we all could unhesitatingly pay tribute to his unsurpassed leadership in helping to pave the way for the victory of the Allied Nations.

In commenting on the substantial increase in membership the Grand Master referred to the increasing number of restorations. He also uttered a word of warning as to the necessity for careful selection of candidates in order to avoid the experiences following the last war.

In October, 1944, St. John's Lodge No. 3 at Kingston celebrated 150 years of continuous service in that City. A Special Communication was held and the Grand Master unveiled a tablet commemorating the anniversary.

During the year the Grand Master visited the Grand Lodges of Ohio and Illinois. He had hoped to visit the Western Canada Grand Lodges but as the result of an accident was forced to forego this pleasure.

The Grand Master reported a donation of $500 to the Lodge at Kamsack, Saskatchewan, to help to rebuild the Masonic Temple in that town which had been completely destroyed by a cyclone in August, 1944. This action on the part of the Grand Lodge of Canada in Ontario was much appreciated by the Kamsack Brethren as well as by all Masons in the Saskatchewan Jurisdiction. He also reported grants to the Canadian Red Cross and to the Hospital for Sick Children in the City of Toronto.

The Grand Treasurer reported an "excellent financial year." There is a surplus in the General Fund exceeding $34,000. Grants to widows, orphans and indigent Brethren exceeded $67,000, and the estimated benevolent grants made by the Lodges amounted to $65,000. Total investments in all Funds amount to $927,000.

In commenting upon the increase in membership the Grand Secretary stated that present indications are that the 100,000 mark will be reached next year.

The Committee on the Condition of Masonry reported a busy and prosperous year. The reports of the District Deputies indicate an improved attendance at Lodge meetings and degree work well done. Some of the reports ascribe this desirable state of affairs to the work of the Committee on Masonic Education; there appears to be general and growing interest in the programs prepared by the Committee. 9 bulletins were distributed by the Committee during the year.

The Report of the Committee on Benevolence contains much information of interest. The estimates show a considerable increase over the appropriation for last year. A survey of dependents is being made to see who should receive assistance from government social agencies, not with the intention of avoiding responsibility but with the hope that increased income will bring added comfort to many of the dependents. During the first forty (40) years of the history of the Grand Lodge the sum of $218,000 was spent in benevolent grants, while in the last 11 years over $1,000,000 has been disbursed.

COLORADO

85th Annual Communication at Denver, September 18th and 19th, 1945. Grand Master J. R. Clarke. Lodges 147. Members 32,282. Gain 1652. All officers were in attendance and 14 Past Grand Masters were present. Visitors were present from the Grand Lodges of Wyoming and Utah. 50 Jurisdictions were represented, among them Saskatchewan by M.W. Bro. C. S. Desch. The representatives were welcomed by the Grand Master who asked them to extend greetings from the Grand Lodge of Colorado to their respective Jurisdiction.

In referring to the end of the war, the Grand Master said that right had prevailed over might and that free people everywhere humbly express their gratitude to God for the victory which had been won. He paid tribute to the part so well performed by the Allied forces in the war which was not one of conquest on their part but for the defence of modern culture and civilization against the effort to replace freedom by bondage.

The Grand Master was prevented from making all the visitations he desired because the year had been one of restraint upon freedom of movement. He stated that his one disappointment of the year was his inability to visit all the lodges in the jurisdiction. He did succeed however in visiting 96 lodges, a number of them in joint meeting with others. He visited the Grand Lodge of Utah and thinks the visits to sister Jurisdictions are of importance in the interests of harmony and co-operation. The Grand Master issued a number of dispensations, most of them with repect to men in military service being of the opinion that in their case the technicality of the regulations should be waived.

The report of the Committee on Correspondence was presented by M.W. Bro. H. L. Baum. The review is topical in character and deals with several subjects, including increases in membership, Masonry in Mexico, Masonic Army support, distinguished men in Masonry, physical qualifications and the suppression of Masonry in conquered countries. In commenting on the increase in membership the reviewer refers to the increase during and after the first world war and the prevailing opinion that the subsequent losses were due to the "letting down of the bars." He does not, however, view with alarm the present large increase in numbers. Reference is made to the friendly relations now existing between the York Grand Lodge in Mexico and other Mexican Grand Lodges, and the to fact that several American Grand Lodges have taken steps to extend recognition to Mexican Grand Lodges. All Grand Lodges in the United States recognize the York Grand Lodge except Texas and Louisiana; these two Grand Lodges have withdrawn recognition on the ground that the existence of the York Grand Lodge constitutes an invasion of jurisdiction. The York Grand Lodge is composed of English speaking members, most of them are not nationals of Mexico; it formerly claimed jurisdiction over the entire country but now claims jurisdiction over English speaking Masonry only. Dealing with the Masonic War effort it is stated that the Masonic Service Association supported 76 service centres including one in Paris, one in London and one in Auckland. Total contributions for the support of these centres to the end of 1944 amounted to $787,000. This sum does not represent all that was contributed for work among the men of the forces as some Grand Lodges did not support the Masonic Service Association but carried on war work on their own account. As to the matter of physical qualifications, the writer states it will be a long time before the matter is universally settled but that the trend is towards modification of the strict regulations. Reference is made to the suppression of Masonry in Europe, in the Philippines, in occupied China, Java and the East Indies and in every country where the aggressor nations gained control.

The Grand Master was authorized to grant recognition to any state Grand Lodge of the Republic of Mexico which is a member of the federation of Mexican Grand Lodges on receiving proper application therefor.

CONNECTICUT

157th Annual Communication at Hartford, February 7th and 8th, 1945. Grand Master A. A. Packard. Lodges 129. Members 36,114. Gain 1627. As the Convention Committee of the Office of Defence Transportation permitted the holding of the Convention on condition that not more than 50

be present, the officers of the lodges executed proxies in favour of the District Deputies, and on motion it was agreed to accept the proxies for the record of attendance. All but 9 lodges were represented by proxies.

In his address the Grand Master stated that the most dangerous period is that of prosperity and there is a heavy responsibility to make certain that the many new members are properly assimilated. He referred to the last "great flood-tide" of a quarter of a century ago when thousands of applicants were received without due enquiry and without proper qualification with the result that they experienced no real interest or enthusiasm and ultimately became unaffiliated as the result of indifference.

The exigencies of war have resulted in many requests for dispensation to waive certain time-interval requirements in the matter of holding and conferring of degrees. While stating that the lodge should have time to investigate an applicant and that there should be sufficient time between degrees, the Grand Master said that applications from men in the services should receive sympathetic consideration.

The Grand Master refused application for a dispensation to permit the acceptance of a petition from a candidate who had lost his right hand. In support of his decision he referred to the action of the Grand Master in 1918 in stating that the loss of the thumb on the right hand disqualified an applicant. He also referred to a decision of the Grand Master in 1930 to the effect that the loss of the third and fourth fingers of the right hand constitutes disqualification. Both of these decisions were approved of by Grand Lodge and there is no record that either of them have been reversed. The Grand Master also quoted the Constitution which provides "He shall possess the full enjoyment of all those faculties, organs, limbs and members which are necessary for the reception and imparting of Masonic knowledge and for a full compliance with all the forms and ceremonies implied in such reception or imparting as practised from time immemorial among Masons." Among the Landmarks recognized by this Most Worshipful Grand Lodge, the tenth in the list is, 'That every candidate must be a man of lawful age, born of free parents, under no restraint of liberty and hale and sound as a man ought to be.'"

The Masonic Home Endowment Fund amounts to $780,000. On December 31st, 1944, there were 328 residents in the Home. Including outside relief the cost of the operation of the Home and Hospital was $240,000 which was $22,000 in excess of the income.

The Committee on Correspondence recommended that recognition be extended to the Grand Lodge Tamaulipas (Mexico) stating that the time had come to recognize some of the Mexican Grand Lodges, particularly in view of the report made by M.W. Bro. Melvin M. Johnson of Massachusetts after a personal inspection in Mexico.

The Committee on the George Washington National Masonic Memorial reported that since Connecticut had attained its quota of $1.70 per member and on account of the many demands no campaign for funds for the memorial was conducted in 1943 and 1944; however through contributions made by individual Masons substantial sums were received and for the future it is intended to continue to accept $1.00 from every new initiate in order that all Masons may have a part in the memorial.

The Review of Correspondence is by Bro. Winthrop Buck. The Saskatchewan proceedings for 1944 are very kindly reviewed. Reference is made to the remarks of the Grand Master as to the tendency of some lodges to engage in political matters and there is a complimentary reference to the papers distributed by the Committee on Education.

COSTA RICA

There are seven lodges in this jurisdiction, with 412 members. The Grand Master is Arturo Faith Leon, and the Grand Secretary is Enrique C. Bolanos. The Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence is George F. A. Bowden.

On the occasion of the 80th Anniversary of the founding of the first regular lodge in Costa Rica (1865) by the Grand Orient of Grenada in Colombia, the Grand Lodge published a memorial with photographs and short biographical sketches of some of the principal organizers of the early lodges. The memorial contains much interesting information in regard to many of the prominent men in the history of Costa Rica some of whom were associated with the formation of the lodges in the early days.

The Grand Lodge of Kentucky at its session in 1944 severed relations with the Grand Lodge of Costa Rica "on account of some irregularities in your organization." The correspondence published indicates that the "irregularities" complained of concerned the action of the Grand Master while acting as a member of the Supreme Council of the Scottish Rite for Central America, and the contention of Costa Rica is that such action should not affect its relations with the Grand Lodge of Kentucky.

The proceedings of this Grand Lodge for 1942 and 1943 have come to hand and are in the Spanish language.

There are 6 lodges with a total membership at the end of 1943 of 370, a gain of 10 over the membership for 1942. The lodges all appear to be in a thriving condition; the largest number of members in a lodge is 83 and the smallest 41.

The Grand Master is Arturo Faith Leon and the Grand Secretary is Rafael O. Loria, with offices at San Jose.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

134th Annual Communication at Washington, December 20th, 1944. Grand Master Aubrey R. Marrs. Lodges 47. Members 20,687. Gain 671. This Grand Lodge mourned the passing of three Past Grand Masters during the year. M.W. Bro. Vernon G. Owen, Grand Master in 1933, M.W. Bro. Eugene E. Thompson, Grand Master in 1938, and M.W. Bro. J. C. Keiper, Grand Master in 1911 and Grand Secretary for many years. Special Communications were held for the purpose of conducting the funeral services and the proceedings contain memorials to these distinguished brethren.

There was a full attendance of Grand Lodge officers at the Annual Communication and 13 Past Grand Masters were present. Visitors attended from the Grand Lodges of Connecticut, Delaware, Maryland and Virginia.

As the result of bond sales through and to the lodges, the Treasury Department of the United States awarded the Grand Lodge the right to sponsor and christen a Liberty Ship. The name of a distinguished Grand Master, Benjamin B. French was given the ship by the Maritime Commission, the name being selected from a list submitted by the Grand Lodge. A delegation went to Savannah, Georgia, where the ship was christened by Mrs. Claudy, the wife of Carl H. Claudy, Past Grand Master.

The representatives of the Masonic Service Association reported that more than half a million dollars was contributed in 1943 towards the work of the Association and the contributions in 1944 will be larger. The Service Centre in Washington has given hospitality to an average of 3,000 men per week. The representatives commended most heartily the work of the Association and advised continuance of financial support.

In commenting upon the increase in membership the Grand Master said it was the largest in twenty years. He reported the financial condition of the lodges as satisfactory and that meetings have, as a rule, been well attended. He referred to the Conference of Grand Masters as one of the most important functions of the year and stated that 49 jurisdictions in the United States were represented, as well as the Grand Lodge of Canada in Ontario and the Grand Lodge of New Brunswick. The subjects discussed were of vital importance, and the conference exerts a general influence on Freemasonry in the United States and has brought about a unity of sentiment which is highly beneficial.

The Committee on Jurisprudence reported against a proposed amendment to the Constitution which would enable candidates who have been injured in the service of the armed forces to become members on securing a waiver of disabilities from the Grand Master. The conclusion of the Committee was based upon the 18th Landmark as stated by Albert G. Mackey, and also upon the 25th Landmark which is to the effect that Landmarks are unchangeable. On a vote being taken on the proposed amendment, 94 voted for it and 64 against. As the amendment failed to obtain the necessary two-thirds vote it was declared not adopted. In his address the Grand Master took issue with the report of the Committee and expressed himself as favorable to the amendment.

A memorial was read for M.W. Bro. J. C. Keiper, Past Grand Master and Grand Secretary, who died on November the 19th, 1944. He was Grand Master in 1910-11 and was appointed Grand Secretary in 1924, having served in that office till his death. For seventeen years he was Secretary of the Conference of Grand Masters, and was also Secretary of the George Washington National Memorial Association, taking a prominent part in the construction of the Memorial. In recognition of his services to the Grand Lodge he was awarded in 1942 the first Distinguished Service Medal ever awarded by the Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia.

The Review of Correspondence is by Bro. J. Walter Karsner. In a foreword comment is made on the increase in membership, 47 jurisdictions in the United States having reported gains. Reference is also made to the suggestion that the Masonic Order should widen its scope and take a larger place in public affairs. Bro. Karsner however takes the view that Masonry is a philosophy of life and its contribution to the field of public service must necessarily be indirect rather than direct. The Saskatchewan proceedings for 1944 are very kindly reviewed; there are references to the critical remarks of the Grand Master on lodges making an effort to influence governments, to the finances of Grand Lodge, and to the reports of the Committees on the condition of Masonry and Masonic Education.

UNITED GRAND LODGE OF ENGLAND

A Quarterly Communication was held on December 6th, 1944, the Grand Master the Earl of Harewood presiding. The Grand Master reminded the brethren that on the 2nd day of December His Majesty the King had completed 25 years of service to Masonry and he suggested that congratulations be offered to him with an expression of the hope that he would for many years continue his interest in Masonry.

Notice was given that at the next Communication the re-election of the Earl of Harewood as Grand Master would be proposed.

The Board of General Purposes in its report reminded members of lodges of the necessity of exercising the utmost care in proposing candidates; it cannot be too strongly stressed that acquaintance with a candidate must be of such a nature as to enable the proposer to vouch from his personal know-

ledge that the candidate is a man of good reputation and integrity and well fitted to become a member of the lodge. There was an attendance of 1344.

At the Quarterly Communication in March 1945 the Earl of Harewood was re-elected Grand Master. The Board of General Purposes in its report referred to the many letters received from persons in the United States expressing appreciation of the welcome extended to their members by lodges in England. The Board stated that the opportunity of receiving American brethren as visitors and the conferring of degrees at the request of American Grand Lodges had given great pleasure throughout the Jurisdiction.

The Finance Committee presented the audited accounts for the year ending December 31st, 1944. There is a Benevolent Fund of £434,000 and the assets are valued at an amount exceeding £2,000,000. At the end of 1944 there were 5320 lodges on the Register.

The Annual Investiture was held on April 25th, 1945. The Grand Master the Earl of Harewood was unable to attend on account of illness. The appointment by the Grand Master of R.W. Bro. Sir Francis Davies as Deputy Grand Master was announced and also that of R.W. Bro. General W. H. V. Darrell as Assistant Grand Master. These brethren, as well as the newly appointed officers, were duly proclaimed by the Director of Ceremonies.

At the Quarterly Communication on June 5th, 1945, the Board of Benevolence reported grants amounting to £6090 made since the last quarterly meeting. A grant of 3,000 gns was made to the Duke of Gloucester's Red Cross and St. John Fund.

The Board of General Purposes reported that it wished to place on record its appreciation of the manner in which the lodges have continued to carry out their duties in spite of the difficulties and dangers which are inherent in a state of war. Reference was made to the fact that many brethren had been killed and many others bear the scars of war, while many more have suffered bereavement.

Attention was called to the fact that members of the forces had been initiated into lodges which are not recognized by the Grand Lodge of England and a warning was given that the credentials of visitors to lodges should be very carefully scrutinized.

At the Quarterly Communication in June, 1945, the Grand Master was absent on account of illness. A message was read from him in which he asked that power be given him to confer on brethren who have rendered special service to Masonry a distinction to be known as "The Grand Master's Order of Service to Masonry". In accordance with the request the Constitution was amended enabling the Grand Master to confer the Order of Service on brethren who had rendered special services.

The Board of General Purposes in its report referred to the termination of hostilities in Europe and expressed the hope that the day was not far distant when countries which are unfortunately still engaged in hostilities will experience similar relief. The Board placed on record its appreciation of the manner in which the lodges have continued to carry out their duties in spite of dangers and difficulties which are inherent in a state of war.

The Board called attention to the fact that members of the forces through lack of knowledge had been initiated into lodges which are not recognized by the United Grand Lodge of England and stated that it was essential that credentials of all visitors to lodges be carefully scrutinized.

At the Quarterly Communication in September, 1945, the Grand Master the Earl of Harewood was again absent due to continued illness. The Assistant Grand Master, R.W. Bro. H. B. Darrell referred to his illness and sug-

gested that a message be sent conveying sympathy and assuring him that a warm reception awaits him when he again attends Grand Lodge.

The Assistant Grand Master made reference to the end of hostilities with Japan stating there were times when the outlook was not favourable and that had it not been for the determination of the peoples of the United Nations victory could not have been achieved. He said that gratitude would never be adequate to the fighting forces who have never flinched from the tasks assigned to them and that in the midst of rejoicing all should remember those who made the supreme sacrifice, those who have been left in sorrow and those permanently injured.

The Board of General Purposes drew attention to the necessity for making inquiries in localities in which they are ordinarily resident in respect of candidates from the Dominions and the United States of America, who are temporarily resident in England, to ascertain whether there is any objection to their being initiated into English lodges. The Board stated that inquiries must be made in every case through the Grand Secretary.

The Board also referred to men in the forces particularly on the Continent and in the Middle East and the danger of their association with Masonic bodies not recognized by the Grand Lodge of England. They stated they had found it necessary to issue a circular to all lodges under the jurisdiction setting forth in detail the position of those areas, and asking them to exercise the utmost caution.

At the Quarterly Communication in December 1945, a letter was read from the Earl of Harewood, the Grand Master referring to the brilliant manner in which Field Marshal Sir Harold Alexander had commanded the troops in Burma, North Africa and Southern Europe and congratulating him on his achievements. The Grand Master stated that it was his wish to confer upon Sir Harold Alexander the rank of Past Grand Senior Warden. Sir Harold Alexander was present and was escorted by the Director of Ceremonies and was invested by the R.W. Assistant Grand Master.

Notice was given that at the next quarterly communication the Earl of Harewood would be proposed for re-election as Grand Master.

The Board of General Purposes reported that certain directions given with respect to the cancelling of meetings during the war, altering the date and place of meetings and which were contrary to the Book of Constitutions, would now be amended.

GEORGIA

158th Annual Communication at Macon, October 31st and November 1st, 1944. Grand Master D. H. Wollstein. Lodges 456. Members 48,085. Gain 5093. There was a full attendance of Grand Lodge officers and 9 Past Grand Masters were present. The representatives of 49 Jurisdictions were in attendance, Saskatchewan being represented by Bro. A. T. Harrison. M.W. Bro. W. S. Taylor, the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Florida, was a visitor.

The finances appear to be in a sound position. The total receipts from all sources exceeded $118,000. There is a substantial balance in the General Fund, which was increased by $20,000 during the year. The appropriation for the Masonic Home is about $30,000 and there is an Endowment Fund of $180,000. The Educational Loan Fund has been discontinued and the balance on hand transferred to the Endowment Fund. 69 children are cared for in the Home.

The Grand Master spent a busy year attending all the district meetings and visiting many of the lodges. He stated what he wanted most as Grand Master was to see all the Masons in Georgia gain a greater appreciation of the Institution through an understanding of its teachings.

There are two Masonic Service Centres in Georgia, one at Atlanta and one at Macon. The Grand Master dealt at length with the work done for members of the Armed Forces.

Several requests were made for dispensations for candidates possessing some physical injury. The Grand Master reported that all such requests were carefully considered and dealt with according to the Constitution.

This Grand Lodge publishes the Masonic Messenger and an effort is being made to increase the number of subscriptions to 10,000. While the goal has not been reached the list has been increased by about 3,000.

The Grand Lodge of Georgia has enjoyed a year of splendid progress. The largest gain in membership for twenty years was reported; the financial reports show that the Grand Lodge and the Masonic Home are in a most satisfactory position; and the evident interest in Masonic affairs indicated that Masonry in the State is on the march forward and all look to the future with confidence.

There is no published review of correspondence.

IDAHO

79th Annual Communication at Boise, September 18th, 19th, 1945. Grand Master G. H. Mayes. Lodges 81. Members 10,296. Gain 728. After the opening ceremony the Flag of the United States was presented and the brethren joined in the pledge of allegiance. All Grand Lodge Officers were present and 77 constituent lodges were represented. Visitors attended from the Grand Lodges of Oregon and Wyoming. The Governor of the State, Charles C. Gossett, was present and addressed the brethren briefly. 14 Past Grand Masters were present and 34 Jurisdictions were represented.

A letter was read from the National Grand Lodge of Norway stating that Masonic activity was resumed immediately after the unconditional surrender of Germany in May 1945.

A reception was accorded the Grand Representatives. In welcoming them the Grand Master stated that he hoped the nations of the world following the San Francisco Conference would undertake in their relations with one another to foster a spirit of harmony in order to produce an era of harmonious and democratic development.

In his address the Grand Master said that the passing of a year had dissipated the dark clouds of war which hung over the world at the time of the last Communication and that now the fond hope of peace had been fulfilled; he expressed the hope that Masons would take their proper place in the post-war world and wield a powerful influence for the good of mankind.

The Grand Master was prevented by travel restrictions from visiting many of the lodges but he attended all the district meetings. He attended the 23rd Annual International Night held by Lafayette Lodge No. 241 in Seattle on October 5th, 1944. The Grand Masters of British Columbia, Oregon, Washington and Montana were also present. On October the 7th he attended a banquet in Vancouver given in honour of M.W. Bro. W. C. Menzies, the Grand Master of British Columbia.

Early in February 1945 the Grand Master was doubtful whether a regular communication should be held and he made all arrangements for a limited wartime meeting because of the order of the Office of Defence Transportation limiting conventions to fifty from outside points. Because of the close of the war, however, it had been possible to arrange the regular meeting.

The finances are in a sound position, there being a substantial surplus in the General Fund as a result of the year's operations. The aggregate balances in all funds amount to $257,000.

The Review of Correspondence is by M.W. Bro. J. G. Elbridge. The Saskatchewan proceedings are not reviewed no doubt because the proceedings for 1945 had not reached the reviewer at the time when he made his report in the month of September 1945.

ILLINOIS

106th Annual Communication at Chicago October 9th, 1945. Grand Master S. E. Pierson. Lodges 978. Members 205,397. Gain 9,177. There was a full attendance of the Grand Lodge officers and 6 Past Grand Masters were present. 48 jurisdictions were represented. 880 constituent lodges had representatives at the Communication.

In opening his address the Grand Master said the meeting was being held with mingled feelings of joy and sincere grief — joy because the darkness of war had vanished and peace again pervades the land — and grief because of the bereavement in many homes. He also said that it had been again demonstrated that free men are mightier than those who have been under the heel of tyranny and that the spark of freedom which lingers in all mankind cannot be crushed by those who desired to create a totalitarian state.

The Grand Master referred to the curses of man from the early ages as famine, pestilence and war. Famine is no longer feared because of the development of transportation; medical science has reduced pestilence so that it is no longer feared; science has developed the atomic bomb which did much to bring the war to a close but in order to conquer war, men and women must be imbued with charity for their fellow men and have a sincere desire to live in peace and harmony with them. Reference was made by the Grand Master to the activities of the year just closed and of the large increase in membership which in his opinion was largely due to the activities carried on among members of the armed services. The centres set up to provide pleasures and comforts for the soldiers were most successful and were closed at the end of December 1945.

Reference was made by the Grand Master to the distressed financial condition of some of the Masonic Temples. A few years ago there were 70 such cases but now as a result of the improved situation by efforts of the lodges, aided by better financial conditions, there are only three. In order to avoid a repetition of these conditions an amendment to the Code has been suggested to the effect that no Temple Company be incorporated for more than one-third of the cost of the ground, building and furnishings.

The facilities of the Home at Sullivan are inadequate; the beds in the Hospital are in use for guests in the Home and applications for admission are being refused. The Grand Master recommended the erection of a building to be used as a sanitarium so that certain brethren could be admitted who do not need to be in a hospital and yet are unable to adequately care for themselves.

This Grand Lodge mourned the passing of M.W. Bro. Delmar E. Darragh, Grand Master in 1911. He was one of the most prominent Masons in Illinois and served the Grand Lodge for many years in many capacities. The proceedings contain a memorial to this distinguished brother.

The Review of Correspondence is by M.W. Bro. Elmer E. Beach. In a foreword reference is made to the action of many Grand Lodges after the First World War in repealing "the Perfect Youth" doctrine in order to permit many men who were maimed to become members of the Fraternity. The reviewer states that perhaps one-half of the Grand Lodges in America modified the doctrine and he calls attention to what he describes as "an anomalous situation," namely what should be done by those Grand Lodges which adhered to the old regulations in their relationships with those Grand

Lodges which have abandoned or repealed the strict regulations. Should they declare these Grand Lodges irregular and unworthy of recognition? In referring to peace the reviewer says that universal peace can only be maintained by the nations of the world being willing to be governed in their relations with each other by the universal principles of friendship and good will which are fundamental in the doctrine of Masonry.

The Saskatchewan proceedings are not reviewed, no doubt because they were not available.

INDIANA

128th Annual Communication at Indianapolis. May 22nd, 1945. Grand Master J. T. Lett. Lodges 539. Members 131,324. Gain 10,511. The attendance was limited owing to government restrictions. Meetings were held in each of the twenty districts to select one representative. These selections were made and 17 representatives were in attendance. 15 Past Grand Masters were present.

The Grand Master expressed regret that because of governmental restriction it was not possible to have a full session; he had directed that the meeting should consist of Past Grand Masters, present officers and 20 of the 539 Masters in the State; he recommended that Masters in office in 1945 should attend the 1946 session.

Reference was made by the Grand Master to the end of the war in Europe; he said that all had great cause to be thankful for victory had come in Europe; the war with Japan still continued but he had every hope by the time of the next annual meeting that the remaining enemy would be vanquished and that peace would be restored to the earth.

The Grand Master reported a communication from the Grand Master of California stating that the Grand Master and Deputy Grand Master of the Philippines had been killed by the Japanese and that efforts were being made to rehabilitate Masonry in the Islands. The communication also asked what financial assistance could be expected from the Grand Lodge of Indiana. The Grand Master recommended that an appropriation of $2,500 be made for the assistance and rehabilitation of the Philippine brethren.

Generally speaking, all the lodges are in excellent condition; a large number have no delinquent dues and records are exceptionally well kept.

Two Past Grand Masters passed away during the year, M.W. Bro. M. A. Morrison, Grand Master in 1914-15, and M.W. Bro. O. I. Smith, Grand Master in 1927-28. The proceedings contain memorials to these distinguished brethren.

In reporting the large increase in membership, the Grand Secretary stated that 511 lodges out of 569 added to their numbers. He reported one Charter revoked and one consolidation of two lodges.

M.W. Bro. Elmer F. Gay presented a report containing a list of the proceedings reviewed by him and which were published in the Indiana Free Mason. Two copies of the Free Mason containing the reviews are sent to each jurisdiction. The Saskatchewan proceedings appeared in the issue of the Free Mason of November 1944. A statistical table is appended to the report showing a gain in membership in the United States in 1944 of 131,324, with a total membership of 2,646,970. In Canada the gain is stated as 3,656, and the total membership 169,155.

KANSAS

89th Annual Communication at Wichita, February 14th and 15th, 1945. Grand Master James H. Trice. Lodges 437. Members 68,691. Gain 5007. There was a full attendance of Grand Lodge officers and 13 Past Grand Masters were present. 430 constituent lodges were represented. The Grand Representatives of other jurisdictions were introduced and welcomed. Visitors were present from the Grand Lodges of Wyoming and Michigan.

Because of conditions the Grand Master requested that all business be abbreviated and in keeping with this request, he shortened his own address; he stated however that he had prepared his address before the Director of War Mobilization requested the limitation of gatherings and he added that the war news had greatly improved since he prepared the address. In speaking of the war he said that the once quiet and peaceful city of Wichita, far removed from any scene of conflict, speaks graphically of war for there are great warplant factories and thousands of people once engaged in peaceful pursuits are now engaged in making the machines of devastating war.

The Grand Master reported having visited the Grand Lodges of Nebraska, Illinois, Iowa and Missouri. In reporting on the visits he stated that each of them was inspiring and he made particular reference to the 100th Anniversary of the Grand Lodge of Iowa and the 150th Anniversary of the Grand Lodge of Illinois. At both of these anniversaries many brethren from other jurisdictions were present.

In speaking of the Masonic Home the Grand Master said that it justified the existence of Masonry in Kansas. The Home has the most modern surroundings and equipment and everything is done to make it a home and not merely an institution. Under present conditions, with increased costs and the difficulty of obtaining labour, the problem of carrying on is heavy. The maintenance of the Home cost about $91,000 while the regular income exceeded $95,000. The assets are valued at $1,890,000.

In referring to the condition of the Order the Grand Master said that many of the larger lodges were extremely busy but he spoke of the problems of some of the smaller lodges as "unhealthy"; many of them he said were dormant. There are 256 lodges with a membership of less than 100, and 88 with a membership of less than 50. Few of these small lodges are sharing in the activity which is being enjoyed by the larger lodges; during 1943 fifty-three of the lodges of less than 100 members reported losses. The difficulties of the smaller lodges are due to the fact that many of them are in small communities which by reason of the trends in transportation and merchandising are losing ground to the larger cities.

The finances are in a sound position, there being a substantial surplus in the General account as a result of the year's operations.

The Committee on Correspondence reported applications for recognition from some of the Grand Lodges in Mexico but expressed the opinion that due to peculiar conditions existing at this time the applications should be held in abeyance until more settled times.

The Review of correspondence is by M.W. Bro. Otto R. Suders. In a foreword the reviewer asks what about Masonry after the War? What will be done to educate Masons in Masonry? How will we interest the great number who are entering the Order? He comments upon the fact that most men who join the Order have no intention of attending Lodge regularly or of devoting the time necessary to fill an office. The opinion is expressed that there is no hope of interesting all Masons in Masonry but that there is only one thing to do and that is to continue trying to interest as many as possible. The Saskatchewan proceedings for 1944 are very kindly reviewed with a reference to the death of M.W. Bro. C. O. Davidson, Past Grand Master.

KENTUCKY

144th Annual Communication at Louisville, October 17th and 18th, 1944. Grand Master E. B. Beatty. Lodges 497. Members 52,536. Gain 4,588. There was a full attendance of Grand Lodge officers and 19 Past Grand Masters were present. Visitors attended from the Grand Lodges of Indiana, Illinois, Missouri and Virginia. After the opening ceremony the American Flag was presented and the brethren joined in the pledge of allegiance and in singing the national anthem.

In addressing the brethren the Grand Master said that the keynote of Masonry was service and if there ever was a time in the history of the world when the opportunity to serve was present it is now; and if there ever was a time when the spirit of fraternalism was needed it is today. Referring to the Four Freedoms he stated that the four freedoms which the world needs today are freedom from hate, freedom from greed, freedom from intolerance and freedom from prejudice, and that if these freedoms existed all would be right in the world. Speaking of the war he said that every ideal cherished had been trampled under the iron heel and every moral aspiration has been sneered at.

As to the condition of Masonry the Grand Master stated that the great majority of the lodges are active and that petitions are being received in greater numbers than at any time during the last twenty-five years. He advised a few of the smaller lodges to study their financial problems and he suggested a slight increase in the dues might mean the converting of a struggling lodge into a thriving and prosperous one.

This Grand Lodge suffered distinct loss in the deaths of M.W. Bro. Richard P. Deitzman and M.W. Bro. Innes B. Ross. The proceedings contain memorials to these distinguished brethren.

The Grand Master attended the Conference of Grand Masters and reported 48 of the jurisdictions represented. There were discussions of many interesting Masonic subjects. One of the subjects discussed was whether election should be permitted for all three Degrees on one ballot. The Grand Master took the negative side as he thinks the Kentucky Plan of balloting for each Degree is the best. He attended the Annual Meeting of the George Washington National Memorial Association and presented a cheque for $2,264 on behalf of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky.

The Charter of one lodge was arrested because the three Degrees had been conferred on a candidate all in one month without procuring a dispensation. Five Masonic Halls were dedicated during the year. Two consolidations took place, each of two lodges.

Early in his year of office the Grand Master communicated with all the lodges to ascertain which of them had never been visited by a Grand Master and as a result he visited a number of those which had never been visited; he said however that there were still more than 100 lodges which had never been visited by a Grand Master.

The Review of Correspondence is by M.W. Bro. Allen C. Terhune. 52 jurisdictions are reviewed. In a foreword reference is made to the career of Robert Burns as a Mason. He was initiated in St. David's Lodge, Tarbolton, in 1781 and became Master of the Lodge. The Saskatchewan proceedings for 1944 are very kindly reviewed. There is a reference to the "Old physical requirement problem", and the writer expresses a wish that all could agree on the problem and end a question which vexes many lodges and Grand Lodges.

LOUISIANA

Grand Master W. S. Kingrey. Lodges 240. Members 26,126. Gain 3,056. Due to the action of the office of Defence Transportation restricting conventions where more than 50 are in attendance, the 134th Annual Communication, which was to have been held on February the 12th and following

days was cancelled. After the issue of the Order in January, 1945, the Grand Master held several conferences with Masonic leaders from every part of the State and it was finally decided that the Communication should not be held. After this decision the Grand Master caused notice to be sent to each of the lodges setting forth the procedure to be followed. In order that new officers be elected a ballot was sent to each lodge to be marked and returned to the office of the Grand Secretary. The office of Junior Warden was to remain vacant until the next session.

The proceedings published contain the address of the Grand Master prepared for the Annual Communication, also reports of the Treasurer and Secretary, and of all committees just as if the session had been held.

In referring to the condition of the Order, the Grand Master reported renewed activity; there had been a substantial gain in membership in excess of 10%. He had visited many lodges throughout the State, attended all the district meetings, and everywhere found increased interest. He referred to the increases during and after the last war and the subsequent loss of numbers and expressed the hope that the lodges would profit from the mistakes of the past. He visited the Grand Lodge of Texas and also attended the Conference of Grand Masters at Washington in February, 1944.

The Grand Master made reference to the Masonic Home, stating that its establishment and maintenance had been one of the most noteworthy accomplishments in the State of Louisiana. The income for the support of the Home was $38,000 and the cost of maintenance $31,000. There was a monthly average of 22 children in the home in 1944, and the cost of operation per child for the year was $1358.00.

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence recommended the re-establishment of fraternal relations with the Grand Lodge del Estado de Nuevo Leon (Mexico) finding that it complied with the requirements and that it was in good standing in the confederation of Grand Lodges of the States of Mexico. The Committee also reported a review of the proceedings of jurisdictions in the United States and commented upon the general gain in membership. The review published is brief and topical in character and contains interesting information as to Masonry in Mexico and as to the call for an inter-American conference of Free Masonry sponsored by the Grand Lodges of Argentina, Chile and Uruguay for the purpose of strengthening the bonds of Masonry in America and the entire world.

MAINE

126th Annual Communication at Portland, May the 1st, 1945. Grand Master Charles E. Crossland. Lodges 206. Members 36,963. Gain 1,431. After the opening ceremony the Colours were presented by a guard composed of representatives of the Army, Navy and Marine Corps, all in their respective uniforms, and the brethren then joined in the pledge of allegiance and sang the National Anthem. 10 Past Grand Masters were present and 41 jurisdictions were represented; the Grand Master welcomed them and suggested they send letters to their respective jurisdictions conveying the greetings of the Grand Lodge of Maine.

This Grand Lodge intended to celebrate its 125th Anniversary and to have had guests from many jurisdictions but the request of the Government to avoid unnecessary travel was complied with and the result was the smallest attendance in the history of the Grand Lodge, only 34 of the 206 lodges being represented. The Grand Master stated that it was not the small registration nor the welfare of the Grand Lodge which is of pressing concern but rather the underlying conditions of war, the sacrifice of life, and the sorrow and

suffering which are the grave concern of every thoughtful citizen. The proceedings were limited to one day.

In commenting on the large increase in membership the Grand Master said that measured by most every yardstick Masonry in Maine was in a healthy and prosperous condition; he stated that the gain in members brings memories of the days after the world war when membership swelled rapidly only to decline sharply a few years afterwards. He expressed the opinion that there was some evidence that some lodges should have weighed more carefully the qualifications of the applicants and he expressed the hope that the strength of the Fraternity was not being primarily measured by numbers; he referred to the improvement in financial conditions and the resultant reduction in individual dues but said that the total arrears reported of over $60,000 was far too large.

Owing to travel restrictions the Grand Master was unable to visit many of the lodges. He attended the Annual Communications of the Grand Lodges of Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island and Vermont.

The Grand Master reported several requests for permission to confer degrees upon applicants who, in his opinion, could not meet the physical qualifications; he stated however that "fortunately none of these cases were war veterans". He is of the opinion that applications will be received from veterans maimed in the war who in all particulars save some physical deformity may be qualified to be Masons and he asks the question, "Can we decline to accept applications from veterans who as a result of fighting on the battlefield have suffered severe injuries which make it impossible to meet the physical qualifications to which we have adhered for countless years?"

For the War Service Fund a sum exceeding $75,000 has been raised. The sum of $25,000 was paid to the Masonic Service Association to help pay the cost of Masonic Service centres. The balance remaining in the Fund will be available to help Masonic Veterans and their families when the need justifies the use of money for this purpose.

A contribution of $1750 was made to the George Washington National Memorial Association, making a total contribution to the Memorial of $53,467. Total receipts including the Charity Assessment were $47,088. There is a Charity Fund of $299,000.

The Review of Correspondence is by W. Bro. Ashley A. Smith. The Saskatchewan proceedings for 1944 are very fully reviewed. There are references to the opening ceremony with the presentation of the American and Canadian flags and to the Conference of the four Western Grand Lodges and the report of the Committee on the Condition of Masonry. Reference is made to the report of the Jurisprudence Committee in which disagreement was expressed with the refusal of the Grand Master to grant a dispensation for the admission of a blind man. The reviewer states that this was "an interesting situation" and he quotes in full the reasons given by the Committee.

MANITOBA

70th Annual Communication at Winnipeg, June the 6th, 1945. Grand Master Samuel Burland. Lodges 104. Members 10,578. Gain 445. There was a full attendance of the officers and 16 Past Grand Masters were present. 97 of the lodges were represented. Visitors were present from the Grand Lodges of Minnesota, North Dakota, Alberta, Saskatchewan and Illinois.

On motion of the Deputy Grand Master, R.W. Bro. Hugh M. Kerr, was made an honorary member of the Board of General Purposes because of his many years of faithful services in reviewing the proceedings of sister Jurisdictions.

On June the 3rd, preceding the Annual Communication, a service of Thanksgiving was held in the Civic Auditorium, Winnipeg, to render thanks for all the mercies during the war years.

A special Communication was held at Gretna on July 26th, 1944, for the purpose of dedicating the Masonic Hall.

The Grand Secretary reported yearly returns had been received from all the lodges and he commented upon the splendid increase in membership. 79 lodges showed an increase, 8 lodges remained stationary and 17 reported a decrease. He made reference to the large number of courtesy degrees conferred by lodges throughout Canada and in England and Scotland and expressed appreciation for the courtesies extended to the brethren from Manitoba.

Three Past Grand Masters passed away during the year. M.W. Bro. William Fenwick, M.W. Bro. Edward M. Walker, and M.W. Bro. George N. Jackson.

The finances are in a strong position, there being a surplus in the General Fund as a result of the year's operations. There is a benevolent Fund of $329,000. The sum of $5634 was disbursed to beneficiaries.

47 jurisdictions were represented, among them Saskatchewan by R.W. Bro. Alex Burgess. The Grand Master expressed the hope that they would write their respective jurisdictions and extend the greetings of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba.

In his address the Grand Master referred to the beginning of the Grand Lodge seventy years ago when three lodges with a membership of 200 met and formed the Grand Lodge of Manitoba whose territory then extended to what is now known as Saskatchewan and Alberta. Today there are three Grand Lodges in the territory with a total membership exceeding 30,000.

The Grand Master said that the occasion was one when all should give thanks for the defeat of the enemies in Europe; due to the courage, loyalty and the boundless love of liberty of the United Nations the enemy had been halted; right had prevailed as it has always done throughout the ages.

Reference was made by the Grand Master to the Conference of the Western Jurisdictions at Banff in September 1944 and to some of the subjects there discussed, among these Benevolent Funds and how best to create interest in the lodge. He thinks the Conference is of great value in bringing the officers of the various Jurisdictions together and in helping to solve some of the problems in each province.

As the result of representations made to him that a new Temple should be built in Winnipeg as a memorial to brethren who fell in the War, the Grand Master referred the matter to the Board of General Purposes. The Board requested him to appoint a Committee which he did. This Committee met and decided that a new Temple should be erected but that the full cost should be on hand before any commitment is made. The present temple was erected in 1895 when the total membership in the jurisdiction was 2334.

The Grand Master attended all the district meetings and also visited the Grand Lodge of Iowa on the occasion of its 100th Anniversary. He also visited the Grand Lodge of North Dakota. He was not able to be present at the Annual Communications of the Grand Lodges of Alberta and Saskatchewan but was represented in Alberta by the Senior Grand Warden and in Saskatchewan by the Deputy Grand Master.

The review of Correspondence is by R.W. Bro. H. M. Kerr. In a foreword reference is made to the increase in membership and to the opinion of many Grand Masters that great care should be exercised by investigating committees so that quality and not quantity may be the watchword in the admission of new members in order that what happened after the last war

may not be repeated. Reference is also made to physical qualifications and to the fact that several Grand Lodges favour a modification of the requirements. The review consists of interesting items selected from the proceedings of various jurisdictions, mostly from the addresses of Grand Masters. In the case of Saskatchewan reference is made to the remarks of the Grand Master as to a jurisdiction overseas making Masons of men from the Province without the consent of the Grand Lodge. There is also a reference to the remarks of the Grand Master on the subject of physical qualifications and to his refusal to grant a dispensation for an applicant who was blind. The action of the Grand Master is referred to without comment.

MARYLAND

Grand Master Harry L. Robinson. Lodges 121. Members 30,635. Gain 1520. The Semi-Annual Communication was held on May 16th, 1944 at Baltimore. Three Past Grand Masters were present and were received by the Grand Master who welcomed them and stated that they had been of great assistance to him during the year. The Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia was a visitor.

The Grand Master spoke of the many members in the armed forces and he expressed the opinion that with the coming of peace the Fraternity may have a large part to play in helping the men readjust themselves. He reported the finances in favourable condition, the increase in assets as about $16,000, and 65% of the securities are in government bonds.

In referring to the Masonic Service Association the Grand Master stated that it operated 42 centres for the armed forces and one in London, England. He recommended continued financial support to the Association. At the Annual Meeting of the George Washington National Memorial Association the Grand Master presented a cheque for $1240 which represented one dollar for every member initiated during the year.

The Grand Master suggested the adoption of a more liberal policy in the requirements for recognition of foreign Jurisdictions stating that his interest in the subject had been renewed by the increased activities of Masonic organizations in the Latin American countries. As to the requirements with respect to physical qualifications he stated that it was generally recognized by Masonic students that the doctrine of the perfect youth is not an unalterable Landmark but one handed down from operative Masonry; he also said that 22 Jurisdictions leave the question of physical qualifications to the judgment of the lodges, 10 leave it to the judgment of the Masters, and 13 have conferred power on the Grand Master to issue dispensations.

The Annual Communication was held at Baltimore on November 21st and 22nd, 1944. There was a full attendance of officers and all lodges were represented. Visitors were present from the Grand Lodges of Massachusetts, Pennsylvania, Virginia, New Jersey, Connecticut, Kentucky, Delaware, Ohio, District of Columbia, Indiana and Illinois.

In addressing the brethren the Grand Master said that in the Semi-Annual meeting in May he thought that peace was near but that it now appeared that while the war effort had met with great success, much was still to be accomplished, before lasting peace would come; he stated that efforts should not be slackened and that Masonry's problems after the war will be greater than any heretofore posed.

The homes at Bonnie Blink house 105 guests. The assessment for the support of the homes is $2.00 per member and they were operated at a loss of $10,000 due to increased cost of labour and supplies. The deficit was made up out of a reserve built up during the past few years. Schools of instruction were operated during the Summer months in the Temple at Baltimore. The

average attendance was 143, which shows a surprising amount of interest. All lodges are active and the Grand Master commented on the large increase in membership but offered a word of caution as to the care needed in accepting the petitioners.

The Committee on Foreign Relations recommended that the application for recognition by the Grand Lodge of Ecuador be granted but advised that an application by the Grand Lodge of Chile be deferred for future consideration. An application from the Grand Lodge of Spain was denied by the Grand Lodge of Maryland as far back as 1932. An application has now been received from the Grand Federal Symbolico of Spain but the Committee advised delay for the purpose of making further inquiry.

There is no published review of correspondence.

MASSACHUSETTS

Grand Master Arthur W. Coolidge. Members 95,440. Gain 1967. A number of Special Communications were held during the year for the purpose of celebrating anniversaries of constituent lodges.

At the Quarterly Communication in March, 1944, the Grand Master reported that M.W. Bro. Melvin M. Johnson, the Chairman of the Committee on the Recognition of Grand Lodges was planning a trip to Mexico for the purpose of studying Masonry in that country. It is expected that Masonry will profit by his inquiry as one of the problems after the war will be that of Foreign Grand Lodges.

The Grand Master reported on the Washington Conference and the meetings of the Masonic Service Association and the George Washington National Memorial Association. The subjects discussed at the Conference included "Masonry in Latin America," and "the Ancient Landmarks, What are they"? And should there be a Restatement of them?

This Grand Lodge mourned the passing of M.W. Bro. Herbert W. Dean, who was Grand Master in 1929, 1930 and '31. The proceedings contain a memorial to this distinguished Brother who held many positions of honour and trust not only in the Fraternity but also in the community.

At the Quarterly Communication in June, 1944, the Grand Master referred to the fact that the Grand Lodges of Iowa and Wisconsin were celebrating their hundredth anniversaries and Vermont was celebrating its 150th Anniversary. Massachusetts is particularly interested in Vermont, the Grand Master stating that in a sense it is the Mother Grand Lodge of the Vermont jurisdiction. Reporting on the lodges in the Canal Zone the Grand Master said that activity there was at its highest peak; the membership is made up of men in Government service and in the armed forces and from August 1942 to August 1943 increased from 1989 to 2346.

At the Quarterly Communication in September 1944 the Committee which visited Mexico to investigate Masonic conditions there, reported. Direct official Communication was made with 19 Grand Lodges including the York Grand Lodge which formerly claimed jurisdiction over the whole of Mexico but now claims jurisdiction over English-speaking Masonry in Mexico only. The Committee recommended that the Grand Master be authorized to grant recognition to all the 18 Grand Lodges which have applied for or which hereafter may apply for recognition. This recommendation was adopted with the result that in addition to recognizing the York Grand Lodge the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts will recognize the 18 Grand Lodges in Mexico on application made for recognition, and such recognition will be continued so long as these Grand Lodges conform to the standards for recognition. Pursuant to the authority, the Grand Master extended recognition to eight (8) of these Grand Lodges which had applied therefor.

The report on Finances presented at the Quarterly Communication in December 1944 showed that the resources of the Grand Lodge including the Masonic Education and Charity Fund amount to nearly $6,000,000. The Charity Trust amounts to almost $3,000,000 and cash on hand exceeds nearly $400,000.

In referring to the membership the Grand Master said that the increase for the year was most gratifying being the first since 1929. He stated that the peak was reached in 1929 with 124,985. From 1929 to 1943 there were continued losses until the membership declined to 93,472, the lowest point since 1920.

Total expenditure for Benevolent purposes was $237,940, which included about $186,000 spent on Masonic Home and Hospital. The number of residents in the Home on August 31st, 1944, was 127, and in the Hospital 28.

At the Stated Communication on December 27th, 1944, there was a full attendance of Grand Lodge officers and visitors were present from the Grand Lodges of South Carolina, Virginia, Maine, Rhode Island, Connecticut, New Jersey and New Hampshire. M.W. Bro. Samuel H. Wragg was installed as Grand Master and the Installation proceedings were followed by the usual banquet at which addresses were given by several of the visitors.

MICHIGAN

101st Annual Communication at Detroit, May 22nd, 1945. Grand Master J. K. Lyons. Lodges 569. Members 127,001. Gain 8,458. All officers were present together with 14 Past Grand Masters. 121 lodges were represented. 37 Grand Representatives were in attendance.

The Grand Master announced that he proclaimed the Communication "The Hugh A. MacPherson Communication" in honour of M.W. Bro. Hugh A. MacPherson who was Grand Master in 1918 and had just completed 25 years of service as Grand Treasurer.

The Grand Master made reference to the order of the Government as to the holding of meetings other than those which would benefit the war effort. He has arranged a meeting early in the year of the officers and some of the Committees for the purpose of deciding what course should be followed. It was decided to hold the meeting in Detroit where many members can attend without travel and to limit the business strictly to what was necessary to the carrying on of routine affairs. Attendance was limited to the officers, the members of the Finance and Jurisprudence Committees, the Chairmen only of the other Committees, and the representatives of those lodges who could attend by using City or suburban transit facilities and for whom no hotel sleeping accommodation was necessary.

The Grand Master reported his attendance at the 100th Anniversary of the Grand Lodge of Iowa and also the Grand Lodges of Illinois, Ohio and Canada in Ontario. At the last Annual Communication it was decided to hold quarterly conferences for Grand Lodge officers and during the past year four conferences were held which in the opinion of the Grand Master were a great aid to him.

This Grand Lodge has a War Council which engaged in the raising of money to assist in war activities. The Grand Master sent a letter to all the lodges stating the need for funds and as a result a sum exceeding $61,000 was contributed. Contributions were made to the Masonic Service Association, the Red Cross, the Veterans' Hospital at Battle Creek, and several other war charities. A large portion of the monies raised have been set aside as a rehabilitation fund.

In speaking of the Masonic Home the Grand Master stated that it had been built to accommodate 160 residents but now there were 180 in residence. The Hospital also is over-crowded. The Home Board has obtained estimates for the building of a 40-bed addition to the hospital which will cost about $130,000. The Grand Master recommended that the Board consider the advisability of expansion and report at the next annual communication. The maintenance of Home and Hospital including a sum spent on outside assistance, was $145,000.

In commenting on the large gain in membership the Grand Master said that he was not really interested in it, but that he was interested in knowing how many real Masons were made.

There is no review of correspondence.

The Grand Master for 1945-46 is Roscoe Burch.

MINNESOTA

92nd Annual Communication at St. Paul, January 17th and 18th, 1945. Lodges 295. Members 48,662. Gain 1935. The Grand Master D. A. Mitchell, who was installed on January the 20th, 1944, died on July 25th, 1944. The Deputy Grand Master William F. Holman presided at the Annual Communication. There was a full attendance of the officers and 199 constituent lodges were represented. 12 Past Grand Masters were present and 42 jurisdictions were represented, Saskatchewans' representative being W. Bro. R. E. Van Kirk. Visitors were present from the Grand Lodges of Manitoba, North Dakota, Wisconsin, South Dakota, Iowa, and Canada in Ontario.

In opening his address the Acting Grand Master made a lengthy reference to the illness and death of the Grand Master M.W. Bro. Mitchell. The proceedings contain a portrait of and a memorial to this distinguished brother.

The Acting Grand Master reported on the Conference of Grand Masters at Washington making special reference to an address of the Grand Master of Colorado on the subject "Readjustment Problems of Freemasonry in the Post-War Period." In the address the Grand Master of Colorado stressed the fact that Masonry cannot engage in political or religious controversy; it interferes with no man's political or religious views nor does it attempt to solve the problems of nations, states or communities.

Favourable comment was made as to the work of the representative of the Grand Lodge at Rochester, Bro. Frank G. Warner, who is tireless in his efforts and is doing Masonry a great service.

The Management of the Masonic Home had a trying year due to the difficulty of securing medical and nursing care. In addition the entire herd of cattle (one of the best in the State) was lost because of disease. There are 182 residents in the Home. Some discontent has been reported but conditions generally are favourable. The maintenance of the Home cost about $94,500 which was about $13,000 less than the income.

On his return from the meeting of the Masonic Service Association the Acting Grand Master called a meeting of the officers and it was decided to raise the sum of $2.00 per member for the work of the Association. The total amount subscribed on January 1st, 1945, was $63,896, 105 lodges having raised at least $2.00 per member. The Acting Grand Master recommended that each lodge be requested to pay during 1946 the sum of $2.00 per capita for the support of the work of the Association.

The Review of Correspondence is by M.W. Bro. E. A. Montgomery. In a foreword the reviewer states that all Grand Lodges are reporting a steady increase in members and that Grand Masters are cautioning the lodges against admitting new members without making an unusually careful investi-

gation as to the qualifications of the petitioners. He also stated that Masonic organizations were continuing their loyal support of the government in the prosecution of the war. The Saskatchewan proceedings for 1944 are very kindly reviewed; there is a reference to the address of the Grand Master and his statement that he was called upon more than once to restrain lodges from some action which entered the field of national or provincial political affairs. There is also a reference without comment to the action of the Committee on Jurisprudence in disagreeing with the Grand Master in his refusal to grant a dispensation to receive an application from a blind man.

MISSISSIPPI

127th Annual Communication at Jackson, February 13th, 1945. Grand Master H. C. Leak. Lodges 307. Members 28,059. Gain 2761. There was a full representation of officers and 9 Past Grand Masters were present. Two emergent Communications were held during the year for the purpose of dedicating new temples. One of the temples was that of Asylum Lodge No. 63, and the hundredth Anniversary of the lodge was celebrated on the same occasion. One new Lodge was instituted during the year.

The Grand Master attended all the meetings except one of the Board of Managers of the Masonic Homes. He reported that the homes were well managed and doing a great work in caring for and educationg the sons and daughters of departed brethren. The Endowment Fund for the Homes is $289,000 including an Educational Fund of $8,000.

The Grand Master refused a number of dispensations to receive and ballot on petitions out of time and the conferring of degrees on candidates who were not in the armed forces, being of the opinion that the degrees should be conferred in a lawful and orderly manner. He also refused dispensations for the conferring of all degrees on the same evening.

The Committee on Correspondence recommended that recognition be extended to the Grand Lodge of Tamaulipas, Tampico (Mexico), stating that international relationships demand understanding and respect, and that Masonry should take an active part in such friendship and understanding among the nations of the world. They also stated that the Grand Lodge is regular in origin and adheres to principles which warrant recognition and that it had been recognized by 18 jurisdictions in the United States. As to an application for recognition from the Grand Orient of Spain the Committee stated that it did not feel that it had received sufficient information to enable them to recommend the establishment of fraternal relations.

The Grand Secretary reported that all lodges had paid their 1944 dues in full but that 11 lodges had failed to make their annual returns within the prescribed time and were automatically penalized. Fifty-year buttons and certificates were presented to 13 brethren.

The Review of Correspondence is by Bro. W. D. Neal. In a foreword reference is made to the physical qualifications of candidates and to the opinion of many that the doctrine should be interpreted liberally in behalf of those maimed in war. The writer says that if the doctrine is an Ancient Landmark it should be held "unimpaired from generation to generation". Comment is also made on Masonic Education and to the efforts made in many jurisdictions to encourage the members to delve into the history of the Craft, study its literature and ponder seriously upon its mysteries. The Saskatchewan proceedings for 1944 are very kindly reviewed.

MISSOURI

Grand Master W. J. Bray. Lodges 597. Members 93,797. Gain 4117. Pursuant to a proclamation of the Grand Master on July 10th, 1945, the Communication for 1945 was called off in accordance with governmental regulations relative to conventions in wartime and instead a Grand Lodge Conference convened on September 25th, 1945, in St. Louis. In addition to the officers there were in attendance 10 Past Grand Masters, 46 District Deputy Grand Masters, and the members of certain of the committees.

The Grand Master announced that he had received a telegram from M.W. Bro. R. V. Denslow expressing regret at inability to be present. M.W. Bro. Denslow was on his way home from Europe where he had gone as Chairman of a Commission appointed by the Masonic Service Association to investigate the condition of Masonry in Europe.

The Grand Master gave a very interesting review of statistics in connection with Lodge membership paying particular attention to the small lodges which found difficulty in carrying on. He concluded however that generally Masonry in Missouri is in a very prosperous condition but that a small number of small lodges were in need of help. In some the membership has been so depleted that they cannot secure a quorum to carry on business. It is hoped that with the end of the war members of such lodges will return to their former homes and meanwhile attention of the Grand Lodge should be given to these lodges. The Grand Master stated that some lodges were remiss in the matter of the investigation of candidates and he advised the greatest care in the selection of applicants.

Owing to the travel situation the Grand Master was unable to make the visitations he wished. He was however able to contact many of the lodges at the district meetings. He visited the Grand Lodge of Texas. He made reference to the cancellation of the Conference of Grand Masters and other meetings held in connection therewith.

During his year of office the Grand Master offered immediate recognition to the Grand Lodges in Mexico which were carrying on inter-visitation with the York Grand Lodge and he was of the opinion that recognition should be extended to other Mexican Grand Lodges. He asked approval for this action.

In response to a request of the Grand Master, the lodges contributed the sum of $7,000 for the assistance to Masonry in the Philippines. This action was taken by him as the result of information received from the Masonic Service Association and also from the Grand Lodge of California.

Reference was made by the Grand Master to the Commission appointed by the Masonic Service Association for the investigation of Masonry in Europe. M.W. Bro. Denslow is the Chairman of the Commission. The report of this Commission will be highly informative as to conditions in Europe.

On April 18th, 1945 the Grand Secretary addressed a letter of congratulation to President Truman, a Past Grand Master, conveying cordial greetings and an expression of confidence and best wishes.

The Review of Correspondence entitled "The Masonic World" is by M.W. Bro. R. V. Denslow. The review is prefaced with an account of the Life and Achievements of President Truman. Reference is made to the Conference of Grand Masters and it is stated that some jurisdictions are enthusiastic over the Conference and some are lukewarm. Italian Freemasonry and Masonry in Egypt are dealt with. In Italy an attempt is being made to re-establish Freemasonry. Australian and Canadian Masonry are referred to at length and there is a brief review of the proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan for 1944.

MONTANA

81st Annual Communication at Helena, August 21st, 1945. Grand Master W. R. Flachsenhar. Lodges 134. Members 19,575. Gain 854. A Special Communication was held at Missoula on May 9th, 1945, for the purpose of conducting the funeral service of M.W. Bro. Robert W. Getty, Grand Master in 1916-17. The proceedings contain a memorial to this distinguished brother.

There was a full attendance of officers to the Annual Communication. Because of the order of the office of Defence Transportation restricting conventions, the meeting was a restricted one consisting of the officers and certain Committees and it was announced that only emergency matters would be dealt with. The election of officers was conducted by mail, ballots having been sent to all the lodges in time to enable them to return the ballot papers to the office of the Grand Secretary prior to the date of the meeting.

M.W. Bro. C. H. Claudy, Past Grand Master of the District of Columbia and Secretary of the Masonic Service Association was a visitor.

In his address the Grand Master said that much had transpired during the past year but above all was the announcement a week ago that Japan had surrendered unconditionally. The war had been won at a great cost in manpower and money and everyone should put forth all efforts to prevent the recurrence of such a dreadful calamity.

The Grand Master received several invitations to visit other Grand Lodges but made only one trip outside Montana, namely to attend International Night held by Lafayette Lodge in Seattle on October the 4th, 1944. He was represented by other Grand Lodge officers at the annual meetings of the Grand Lodges of Wyoming and Idaho.

The Educational Program begun several years ago had been continued; the State is divided into ten districts with an officer in charge of each district; these officers have conducted their visitations and the meetings held are reported as having been highly successful.

This Grand Lodge made requests of other jurisdictions to confer courtesy degrees on 105 candidates, and Montana Lodges conferred a total of 78 Degrees for lodges of other jurisdictions.

The Grand Master referred to the action of the Masonic Service Association in sending a Committee of four to study at first hand Masonry in the war-devastated countries of Europe. One member of this Committee is M.W. Bro. C. J. McAllister, a Past Grand Master of Montana.

All the lodges but one have paid the arrears of Grand Lodge dues which accumulated during depression years. The Grand Secretary reported that eleven lodges reported a loss in membership, six remained stationary and all others reported gains.

The Endowment Fund for the Masonic Home is $218,000, an increase of about $19,000 for the year. The average number in the Home was 42 and the cost of operation was about $28,500.

The Review of Correspondence is by M.W. Bro. C. J. McAllister. In a foreword it is stated that there has been general prosperity and growth, and hope is expressed that it will be permanent. The reviewer is of the opinion that the world needs the influence of Freemasonry which can do much to stabilise a battered humanity and to help find a solution to the social and economic problems of the world. The Saskatchewan proceedings for 1942 and 1943 are very kindly reviewed with complimentary references to the addresses of the Grand Masters and to the charitable and war efforts of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan.

NEVADA

81st Annual Communication at Reno, June 14th and 15th, 1945. Grand Master L. M. Sandford. Lodges 27. Members 3572. Gain 165. All the officers attended and 19 Past Grand Masters were present. After the opening ceremony the National Flag was presented and the Flag salute was repeated in unison. The roll of Past Grand Masters was called and the Grand Master extended to all who responded a very warm welcome. Visitors were present from the Grand Lodge of California and Utah.

The Grand Master reported that during his visits to the constituent lodges he found them harmonious and prosperous. He commented upon the gain in membership stating that many of the lodges have been extremely active in conferring degrees on their own candidates and also in conferring courtesy degrees for other jurisdictions.

The finances are in a sound position there being a balance in the General Fund as a result of the year's operations. A grant was made to help in the rehabilitation of Masonry in the Philippines.

A Special Committee appointed to investigate the possibility of removing the provision that prevents a maimed man from being a candidate, recommended that further time and study be given the subject before any action is taken.

A reception was accorded the Grand Representatives. Saskatchewan was represented by M.W. Bro. F. H. Norcross. The Grand Master asked the representatives to report to their respective jurisdictions.

A Special Communication was held at Reno on June 17th, 1944, for the purpose of conducting the funeral service of M. W. Bro. Theodore J. Steinmetz, Grand Master in 1914-15. There was also a Special Communication at Ely on April 30th, 1945, for the purpose of conducting the funeral service of Carl W. Torrence, Junior Grand Deacon.

The Review of Correspondence is by M. W. Bro. E. C. Peterson. 59 jurisdictions are reviewed, among them Saskatchewan for 1944. There is a reference without comment to the action in granting a dispensation to a man who was totally blind. The resolution of one of the lodges to the effect that a member of the armed forces 18 years of age should be allowed to petition is referred to and also the fact that the Grand Master did not look with favour upon it believing that the old rule as to 21 years of age should stand. Reference is also made to the Benevolent Fund and to the publication of the Tracing Board.

NEW BRUNSWICK

78th Annual Communication at St. John, August 23rd, 1945. Grand Master J. S. Hoyt. Lodges 44. Members 5311. Gain 151. There was a full attendance of Grand Lodge Officers, and 41 lodges were represented. Visitors were present from the Grand Lodges of Vermont, New Hampshire, Massachusetts and Nova Scotia. The Mayor of St John, W. Bro. James D. McKenna, extended greetings on behalf of the City.

A Special Communication was held at St. John on June 24th, 1945, when the brethren attended St. Jude's Church where a service was conducted by R.W. Bro. E. R. McCordick ,the Past Grand Chaplain. There was also a Special Communication on July 19th, 1945, for the purpose of dedicating Tobique Lodge No. 48.

The Grand Master referred to the war having been brought to a victorious end since the last Annual Meeting and he said that all should give thanks for the final victory. He expressed the hope that the decisions reached following the war would result in the maintenance of peace in the world.

The Grand Master visited many of the lodges and also attended the Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia.

The Grand Master made extended reference to the increased membership and expressed the hope that during the next few years there would not be the decline in numbers which followed the first world war. During the years 1943 and 1944, thirty-eight of the lodges showed substantial increases, three lodges remained stationary, and two reported decreases.

M.W. Bro. Arthur S. Robinson is Grand Master for 1945-46.

NEW HAMPSHIRE

Grand Master H. H. Hunt. Lodges 81. Members 13,190. Gain 275. The Semi-Annual Communication was held at Manchester on November the 21st, 1944. There was a full attendance of the officers and five Past Grand Masters were present. The representatives of 39 jurisdictions were present, Saskatchewan being represented by Bro. John J. Tilton. After the opening ceremony the National Colours were presented and the pledge of allegiance given. The Grand Master welcomed the brethren who requested as many as possible to take advantage of the opportunity to visit the Masonic Home. The three degrees were exemplified by three of the lodges.

The 156th Annual Communication was held at Concord on May the 16th 1945. By reason of the order of the Office of Defence Transportation the attendance was curtailed to the officers, committee members and Past Grand Masters. A ballot had been prepared and sent to each lodge to enable all entitled to vote for officers to exercise their franchise. 7 Past Grand Masters were present and 31 jurisdictions were represented. 77 lodges were represented, there being only 4 without representation. Visitors were present from the Grand Lodges of the District of Columbia, New York and Oregon.

In his address the Grand Master stated that 1342 brethren had served in the armed forces. A number had lost their lives and to the families bereaved he expressed his sympathies. In referring to the condition of Masonry the Grand Master said the year had been a most prosperous one; that there had been a substantial gain in membership, and what pleased him most was the fact that many had been reinstated.

The Review of Correspondence is by M.W. Bro. J. M. Dresser. In a foreword reference is made to the influx of new members and some of the remedies suggested, among them a limited number of admissions each year, increase of fees, and curtailment of the powers of the Grand Master to grant dispensations. The Reviewer expresses the opinion that the growth is not greater than might be expected in a period of prosperity. The total gain for the year in the United States is placed at 121,494. The Saskatchewan proceedings for 1944 are very fully reviewed with references to the Banff Conference, the resolutions submitted by two lodges permitting young men of 18 providing they were in His Majesty's Service to make application for membership, The Tracing Board, and the work of the Committee on Masonic Education.

NEW JERSEY

158th Annual Communication at Trenton. April 18th, 1945. Grand Master John S. Caie. Lodges 278. Members 74,138. Gain 2333. All officers attended and 12 Past Grand Masters were present. After the opening ceremony the brethren joined in the pledge of allegiance and in the National Anthem.

Because of the order of the Office of Defence Transportation the Grand Master in February, 1945, addressed a letter to all the lodges limiting the

attendance to 50 members and stating that only non-controversial matters would be considered and that no election would be held. Reports would be received but not acted upon and all officers would continue in office.

The Grand Master stated that some Grand Lodges had cancelled their annual meetings and others held a meeting limited in the same manner as that being held by the Grand Lodge of New Jersey.

The Grand Master referred to the fact that the experience of past years had demonstrated that Freemasonry is not permitted to function in countries dominated by the dictators and he expressed the opinion that the survival of the Institution depends on the sacrifices men were prepared to make in order that the country emerge victorious in the titanic struggle in the world of right over might. Men must learn the brotherhood of humanity.

Reference was made by the Grand Master to the death of President Roosevelt. He said that the governments of the world have paid tributes of respect and the humblest of their subjects have united with them in their expressions of grief.

The Grand Master visited a number of the lodges and also visited a number of sister grand lodges. He expressed the opinion that visits to other Grand Lodges are productive of much good; no Grand Lodge is sufficient unto itself and much can be learned by observation and inquiry; problems are to a great extent similar but methods of dealing with them may differ. At the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts the Grand Master was presented with the Henry Price Medal, an honour which he deeply appreciated.

The Review of Correspondence is by R.W. Bro. Charles S. Elliott. In a foreword regret is expressed that the reports of a number of Grand Lodges had not come to hand. War and restrictions had hampered printing and distribution. The Saskatchewan proceedings for 1944 are reviewed at length with reference to the Conference at Banff, the granting of a dispensation to a blind man, the Report of the Grand Treasurer and to the fact that the Grand Master M.W. Bro. J. C. Carter was born in London, England.

NEW MEXICO

68th Annual Communication at Albuquerque, October 15th and 16th, 1945. Grand Master L. B. Mitchell. Lodges 56. Members 7,399. Gain 673. Special Communications were held for the purpose of conducting the funeral services of M.W. Bro. Lucius Dills, and M.W. Bro. Raymond Drolet, Past Grand Masters. There was also a Special Communication for the purpose of dedicating the new hall of Magdalena Lodge No. 50.

There was a full attendance of officers at the Annual Communication. After the opening ceremony the Flag was presented and the National Anthem was sung. Visitors were present from the Grand Lodge of Texas. 12 Past Grand Masters were present and 20 sister jurisdictions were represented. 45 constituent lodges were represented.

The Grand Master referred to the record of men in the services as one of whole-hearted loyalty and devotion but stated that the same could not be said of all who remained at home; some had over-emphasized their rights forgetting that rights and liberty continue only so long as duties are fulfilled. Humble thanks should be given that the country had escaped the clutches of the enemies.

In referring to the condition of Masonry the Grand Master called attention to the fact that New Mexico comprised an area of 180,000 square miles and that two lodges in opposite corners of the State are 530 miles apart; to visit all the lodges it would be necessary to travel 5500 miles. The Grand Master succeeded however in visiting nearly every lodge. He commented on

the increase in membership stating that it was a gain of 10%, the largest in the history of the Grand Lodge, the next largest having been in 1930.

The Grand Master was invited to discuss the subject of Masonry in South America at the Grand Master's Conference, but the conference was cancelled.

The Grand Master reported having received a letter from the State of New York suggesting the distribution of a pamphlet entitled "What to do with Germany." He considered it improper to comply with the request.

The Grand Lodge has a revolving Student Loan Fund which at present has on hand a sum of about $12,000. Out of 334 loans made to date only 17 remain unpaid.

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence reported that the recognition of foreign jurisdictions is receiving much attention and that there is a progressive movement led by Massachusetts and Missouri. Reference is made to the Committee from Massachusetts which visited Mexico and to its opinion that all Mexican Grand Lodges should receive recognition. It was recommended that the Grand Master appoint a Committee to consider the subject and to report as to the course which should be followed in connection with Latin American countries.

The Review of Correspondence is by M.W. Bro. John Milne. The proceedings of 50 jurisdictions are reviewed, among them Saskatchewan for 1944. There is a reference to the statement of the Grand Master that on more than one occasion he had to restrain lodges from action in the field of politics. Reference is also made to the action of the Committee on the Grand Master's Address in over-ruling the Grand Master in his refusal to grant a dispensation to a blind man.

NEW SOUTH WALES

Grand Master His Excellency Lord Gowrie. Lodges 612. Members 72,289. Gain 5853. A Special Communication was held at Sydney on July 17th, 1943, for the purpose of proclaiming the Grand Master who had been re-elected for the ensuing year. After his Investiture the Grand Master addressed the brethren and stated that he was able to say without any doubt whatever that the United Nations would be victorious in the War. At the same time last year the question was not so easy to answer. He expressed his gratitude for being again chosen Grand Master and thanked all who had co-operated with him in past years.

At the Quarterly Communication in September, 1943, the Pro Grand Master M.W. Bro. F. A. McGuire presided, the Grand Master being detained at Canberra the nation's capital. The Pro Grand Master read an address from the Grand Master in which reference was made to his activities in visiting a number of the lodges during the past few months.

This Grand Lodge has invested funds amounting to approximately £500,000 including a Benevolent Fund of £80,000 and a Masonic School and Hostel Fund of £140,000.

At the Quarterly Communication in December 1943, the Grand Master presided and in his address reported that he had appointed a Committee to consider the building of a new Masonic Temple as a peace memorial and a post-war work by the members of the Craft. A meeting of the Committee had already been held and sub-committees appointed to consider the question of sites, building and finances.

The Grand Master reported with regret that he had found it necessary to temporarily withdraw the charters of three lodges for having exceeded the National Security Regulations (Liquor). He returned the charters having received assurances that the Regulations would be strictly adhered to in the future. He stated however that in case of any further breaches he would take more drastic action.

At the Quarterly Communication in March, 1944, the Pro Grand Master reported that the Grand Master was severely ill. In presenting an address for the Grand Master, the Pro Grand Master paid tribute to the work of the Grand Master, stating that he had devoted much time to Masonry and had followed with the closest attention the work in all parts of the jurisdiction. The Gowrie Scholarship Fund has been established and as a token of the esteem in which the Grand Master is held the sum of £5,000 was subscribed to the Fund and lodges are invited by circular letter to subscribe. In support of the Fund reference was made to the fact that the Grand Master before long would relinquish his office. He has been Grand Master for nine years and has been Governor-General of the Commonwealth and Governor of South Australia as well as of New South Wales.

A Special Communication was held in January, 1944, for the purpose of receiving nominations for Grand Lodge officers. M.W. Bro. F. A. McGuire was nominated as Grand Master. At the Quarterly Communication in June 1944, a message was read from the Grand Master, Lord Gowrie, in which he stated that he had hoped to be present but due to the state of his health he was forced to forego the pleasure. He had been unable during the last three months to undertake any Masonic duties and had relied on the Pro Grand Master to act for him. He said that it was with feelings of deep regret that he was leaving New South Wales; that the nine years he had served as Grand Master had been particularly happy ones and that he would always remember the kindness shown him during his years of office.

The Review of Correspondence is by M.W. Bro. A. J. Kaglund. In a foreword reference is made to the work of the Masonic Service Association in the United States among the armed forces and to the Conference of Grand Masters. It is also stated that a similar body is in existence in the Western Provinces of Canada which deals with matters of general interest. The reviews are lengthy and special mention should be made of the article on British Freemasonry which is most comprehensive and instructive. The Saskatchewan proceedings are very kindly reviewed with references to the publication of "The Tracing Board" and to the district meetings.

Lodges 612. Members 79,363. Gain 6,974. A Special Communication was held at Sydney, August 3rd, 1944, for the purpose of installing the Grand Master M.W. Bro. F. A. Maguire, and the investiture of Grand Lodge officers. After the installation the Grand Master thanked the installing master, Sir Leslie Orme Wilson, who had come from Brisbane for the occasion.

At the Quarterly Communication in September, 1944, the Grand Master brought a message from Lord Gowrie, regretting that he had not been able to meet Grand Lodge before his departure for England. Before his departure an oil painting of himself had been presented to him by the lodges throughout the jurisdiction. The Grand Lodge officers met Lord Gowrie on August 4th, 1944, prior to his departure to wish him a safe voyage.

The investments and property of this Grand Lodge according to the report of the Treasurer are valued at £533,707. The Benevolent Institution is supporting 193 brethren and 271 widows at an annual cost of £13,000.

At the Quarterly Communication in December, 1944, the Grand Master pointed out that there was a heavy responsibility on those who sponsor nomination of candidates. Before doing so they should be sure they have a knowledge of the candidate's business standing and of his private and domestic life.

In his address at the Quarterly Communication in March, 1945, the Grand Master stated that it was just six years since Germany invaded Czechoslovakia and the statement was made at the time in England, "We

have just twelve months to prepare." After twelve months the enemy struck and country after country in Europe went down until France fell and Britain was left alone and she stood alone for twelve months without any assistance except from her own people. The Battle of Britain, the Battle of the Atlantic, and the Battle of the Mediterranean will always stand among the glorious episodes in the history of Britain. Gradually very powerful allies, the United States and Russia, gathered around and the tide gradually turned until now in March 1945, the troops are across the Rhine. As to the Pacific he said it was hard to judge but eminent authorities think that the war against Japan will go on for a long time.

A Special Communication was held on June 11th, 1945, for the purpose of nominating Grand Lodge Officers and at the Special Communication on June the 13th, an election was held. W.M. Bro. Frank Whiddon was elected Grand Master.

The Grand Master spoke of the Victory in Europe since the last meeting. The occasion was celebrated by a Special Communication and thanksgiving service. He said that the end had come of one of the epochs in the history of the British people was being celebrated; for the second time in 25 years Britain had struck against aggression and had won. It was with feelings of deep relief that all realized that the European part of the world conflict was over but they still faced a fierce and barbaric foe in the Pacific, but with strong and powerful allies the result should never be in doubt.

The Grand Master said that he was presiding over Grand Lodge for the last time after a period of fifteen years spent as Grand Master, Deputy Grand Master or Pro Grand Master and that he had a very happy experience; he said it had been his aim to make the Fraternity worthy of the great traditions which had been handed down during the years, so as to pass these traditions to those who follow.

The Review of Correspondence is by Bro. A. J. Kagland. The review is topical in character and prominent features referred to are the increase in membership, physical qualifications, educational programs, Masonic homes, the increase of lodges in England, the situation in Latin America, and a report that Masonry in Italy is beginning anew.

NEW ZEALAND

55th Annual Communication at Dunedin, November 22rd, 1944. Grand Master H. G. Teagle. Lodges 305. Members 28,431. Gain 746. Shortly after the opening ceremony the Board of General Purposes reported the nomination as Grand Master of His Excellency Sir Cyril Newall, the Governor-General of the Dominion. As he was the only nominee he was declared elected for the ensuing year. The Pro Grand Master is R.W. Bro. Ethelbert C. Smith.

The total cash balance in all funds exceeds £224,000. There is an interesting table of statistics showing the growth of the resources since the formation of the Grand Lodge in April, 1891. In that year the total cash balance was £72. Since that time there has been a steady increase until the balance is as above stated. The Widows' & Orphans' Fund amounts to £194,000 and there was paid to annuitants during the year £8732. The income available for distribution exceeded £15,000.

It was reported that 250 members had joined the forces during the year and that 46 had lost their lives in the service of their country and 600 had been discharged.

A system of scholarships has been decided upon to assist the children of Masons in their post-primary education. The scholarships are to be limited in number and will be awarded annually to deserving children whose parents

find it a hardship to complete their children's education. In order to provide the Scholarship Fund the amount payable by each lodge for its members will be slightly increased.

Sir Cyril Newall was installed as Grand Master. After the ceremony he addressed the brethren stating that he appreciated the honour conferred upon him and that it was only after very serious consideration that he had agreed to accept it. He assured them it would be his first consideration to endeavour to be worthy of the honour but following in the footsteps of many eminent Grand Masters he approached the task with humility. He spoke of the great improvement in the war situation compared with a year ago; not only had the Allies stopped the avalanche of aggression but had been able to achieve many notable successes; although great sacrifices may yet be required the final defeat of the enemy is assured; he pointed out that all must prove themselves worthy of victory in order to contribute to the rehabilitation of the world by setting a standard of life in which will be exhibited the highest principles; one of the fundamental objects of Masonry is the building of character which will influence every-day life and there has never been such an opportunity as now for men to dedicate themselves to the furthering of the welfare of mankind.

There is no review of correspondence published in the Proceedings but the Grand Lodge publishes "The Craftsman" in which from time to time it publishes reviews of the Proceedings of various Jurisdictions. In the issue of January 1st, 1946, the Proceedings of Saskatchewan for 1945 are very kindly reviewed. There is a reference to the cyclone at Kamsack, in which the Masonic Temple was destroyed and to the manner in which Lodges in Saskatchewan and elsewhere contributed funds to restore the building. There is also a reference to the Benevolent Fund and to the review of correspondence.

NORTH DAKOTA

56th Annual Communication at Fargo, June 19th, 1945. Grand Master H. W. Swenson. Lodges 119. Members 11,189. Gain 494. The Communication was limited to one day and to an attendance of fifty outside the City of Fargo because of the order of the Defence Transportation Board limiting attendance at Conventions to 50. On March 22nd, 1945, the Grand Master called a special conference of officers and Past Grand Masters to consider what was best to be done in view of the order, and it was unanimously decided to hold a one day session and to limit the attendance to officers, Past Grand Masters, Chairmen of important committees, District Deputies and representatives of three lodges necessary for a quorum, namely two in Fargo and one in Devil's Lake.

The Stars and Stripes and Union Jack were presented and the brethren joined in singing "God Bless Our Native Land" and "God Save the King." Visitors were present from the Grand Lodge of Manitoba.

The Grand Master after reciting the reasons for limiting the attendance stated that a year ago the forces of the Allies landed on the beaches of France and that on May the 8th this year the war in Europe ended with the unconditional surrender of the enemy there. There was still however another enemy and until he is subdued the work of pressing the war to a final and complete victory must be continued; instead therefore of celebrating the victory in Europe many repaired to places of worship to give thanks for the victory so far achieved.

Four Past Grand Masters passed away during the year. M.W. Bro. R. Gilbertson, Grand Master in 1943-44; M.W. Bro. Henry E. Baiurom, Grand Master in 1921-22; M.W. Frank C. Falkenstein, Grand Master in 1926-27, and M.W. Bro. John Moses, Grand Master in 1941-42, who had been three times Governor of the State, from 1939 to 1945 and in November 1944 was elected a United States Senator, an office which he held for only two months.

The Grand Master reported a trend towards stronger lodges and larger membership; with few exceptions lodges have had an increase in work and finances have improved. There were many dispensations and where these concerned men in the Armed Forces he adopted a lenient attitude. He attended the District meetings, made many visitations to the lodges and visited the jurisdictions of Montana, Wyoming, Minnesota and Manitoba.

The International gathering at Lake Metagoshe in July 1944 was a marked success, the attendance being one of the largest on record. About an equal number of Canadians and American brethren attended and transportation facilities to the island in the Lake where the annual assembly meets were not equal to the demands of the day.

Reference was made by the Grand Master to the fact that the property of the Grand Lodge of the Philippines was destroyed by the Japs and that an appeal had been made to help restore the property. The sum of $500.00 was forwarded to the Masonic Service Association to help in this work.

The Grand Secretary in his report asked the brethren to read the proceedings of Grand Lodge and thus familiarize themselves with its work. He suggested that one meeting in every lodge be devoted to study of the address of the Grand Master and to important reports dealing with the activities of Grand Lodge. He also called attention to the splendid financial position of the funds, stating the Trust Funds had almost reached the sum of $150,000. He also made extended reference to the Grand Lodges in South and Central America and expressed the opinion that greater recognition should be extended to them.

There is an interesting table of statistics in the proceedings compiled by Charles C. Hunt, the Grand Secretary of Iowa. This table shows that every Grand Lodge in the United States and Canada reported a gain in membership for 1944. The aggregate gain in the United States is placed at 161,533 with a total membership of 2,777,285; and in Canada the gain is estimated at 7,129 with a total membership of 175,605.

In presenting the Review of Correspondence M.W. Bro. Walter H. Murfin commented on the fact that every Grand Lodge reported an increase in membership and many of them in reporting referred to the increase as a "gain." The reviewer questions the use of the word "gain" on the grounds that no one can say whether an increase in numbers is a gain or a decrease a loss; he thinks that a gain may even amount to a loss and in support of this calls attention to the tremendous number who dropped their membership during a period of several years. Reference is made to the splendid welfare work carried on by the Masonic Service Association and to the question of the rehabilitation of Masonry in countries which were overrun by the Germans and Japanese. The Saskatchewan proceedings for 1944 are very kindly reviewed, with references to the Banff Conference, to the resolution of one of the lodges to the effect that any member of the armed forces should be eligible for membership regardless of his age, and to the disagreement of the Grand Master therewith, and to the Benevolent Fund. There is also a reference to the action of the Jurisprudence Committee in over-ruling the Grand Master in his refusal of a dispensation to a blind man. The comment of the reviewer is: "Personally we think the Grand Master was right. There is a limit which we should not go beyond in letting down the bars."

NOVA SCOTIA

80th Annual Communication at Halifax, June 13th, 1945. Grand Master M. R. Chappell. Lodges 84. Members 9624. Gain 781. All Grand Lodge officers were in attendance and 11 Past Grand Masters were present. Visitors were in attendance from the Grand Lodge of Canada in Ontario and the District Grand Lodge of Newfoundland. The Roll of Grand Representatives was called and those who responded were welcomed by the Grand Master. Following the opening ceremony service was conducted by R. W. Bro. Rev. E. V. Forbes, the Grand Chaplain.

The Grand Master in his address said that the past twelve months have wrought tremendous changes throughout the world; the dictators had been crushed and occupied countries had been liberated; but with the victory has come the more important and perhaps more difficult task of establishing a sure and lasting peace.

The Grand Secretary R. W. Bro. J. C. Jones passed away during the year. The Grand Master paid tribute to the many, varied and exacting duties performed by him in his most important office; he was always ready and willing to render service to the members but for many months due to failing health had not been active.

The Grand Master paid a lengthy tribute to the late President of the United States, Franklin D. Roosevelt, stating that he was one of the great champions of all time for the cause of justice and freedom; he won a lasting place in the hearts of men in all walks of life, not only in his own country but in Canada and throughout the world.

The Grand Master spoke of the work of the Masonic Home at Windsor and urged all the lodges to complete as soon as possible the Home Endowment Fund.

The report of the late Grand Secretary was read. In the report comment is made on the increase in membership and the activity in the Lodges. The year is described as a banner one, more degrees having been conferred than ever before.

A motion was introduced and passed to the effect that the Grand Master appoint a committee to review the proceedings of sister jurisdictions and that, subject to the approval of the Board of Finance, the report be published in the proceedings.

OHIO

135th Annual Communication at Cleveland, October 25th, 26th, 1944. Grand Master A. A. Stevens. Lodges 622. Members 194,521. Gain 11,463. The National Colours were presented, the National Anthem sung, and the pledge of allegiance given. Visitors were present from the Grand Lodges of Iowa, Pennsylvania, Canada in Ontario, Wisconsin, Massachusetts, Michigan and Maryland. 15 Past Grand Masters were present and 602 lodges were represented. The roll of Grand Representatives was called. There are 89 jurisdictions recognized by the Grand Lodge of Ohio. 4 of these however are not in a position to correspond. These 4 are not specified.

In his address the Grand Master said the year had been one of tragedy and sadness for many homes; that the year 1944 would long be remembered as the year when the United States and its allies brought freedom to millions of oppressed and enslaved peoples.

The Grand Master made extended reference to the death of M.W. Bro. Nelson Williams, Grand Master in 1897, paying tribute to his long service to Masonry. There was a special Communication to conduct the funeral services.

The Grand Master reported that he had been advised by the Foreign Correspondent that the Grand Lodge of Tamaulipas, Tampico, Mexico, had qualified for fraternal relations as it complied with all requirements for recognition and he accordingly approved of the report and declared the Grand Lodge of Ohio in fraternal relations with this Grand Lodge in Mexico.

The Grand Master took a keen interest in the welfare of all members in the armed forces. In every instance reported to him of a member entering the services he wrote a personal letter of commendation and best wishes. He received many letters in reply from all parts of the world.

This Grand Lodge has a War Board which directs the activities of Ohio Masons in the establishment of Masonic centres and in general work on behalf of men in the services. The appeal for funds to help the work has been well supported. He commended the activities of the various lodges in remembering brethren in the services at the Christmas season.

The Grand Master visited the Grand Lodges of Michigan, Iowa and Canada in Ontario. He attended the Annual meeting of the Masonic Services Association and presented a cheque for $5,000 in support of the work of the Association. He also attended the Annual Meeting of the George Washington National Memorial Association and presented the sum of $4,000 on behalf of the Grand Lodge of Ohio as its contribution for the year. He also was present at the Conference of Grand Masters and was chosen Chairman of the Conference. He expressed the opinion that the value of the Conference cannot be too strongly stressed.

In reporting a large increase in the membership the Grand Secretary called attention to the fact that there were 988 suspensions for non-payment of dues, a number much less than in the previous year. There were however 2,542 reinstatements and there were still thousands of suspended members who in the opinion of the Grand Secretary should be reclaimed.

This Grand Lodge has liquid assets of nearly $1,200,000 of which almost $600,000 is invested in United States Bonds.

The Review of Correspondence is by M.W. Bro. Earle Stewart. 65 jurisdictions are reviewed, among them Saskatchewan proceedings for 1944. There is a complimentary reference to the address of the Grand Master. The Conference of the four western Canadian Grand Lodges is commented upon as is also the plan for post-war youth rehabilitation.

136th Annual Communication at Columbus. October 17th, 1945. Grand Master D. B. Sharp. Lodges 625. Members 206,625. Gain 12,104. There was a full attendance of the officers and 18 Past Grand Masters were present. 597 constituent lodges were represented. After the opening ceremony the Flag was presented and the National Anthem sung.

In opening his address the Grand Master said that when last year's meeting was held the clouds of war still hung over the world and the nations were still locked in combat; but now victory has come and the world enjoys an uneasy peace; all should be thankful that no bombs fell on the cities of the country and no hostile foot was set upon the soil.

This Grand Lodge mourned the passing of M.W. Bro. Frank H. Marquis, Grand Master in 1915. The Grand Master paid tribute to the services rendered by this distinguished brother both as a Mason and as a citizen.

Early in the year the Grand Master issued instructions for holding a restricted annual meeting on account of the order of the Office of Defence Transportation with respect to conventions. When hostilities ceased however he issued instructions removing the restrictions in part but calling attention to the fact that the use of rail, bus or other public transportation should be avoided.

The Grand Master announced that the 50th anniversary of the dedication of the main building of the Masonic Home would be celebrated on October the 25th, 1945. On July 31st, 1945, there were 421 residents in the Home. The average yearly per capita was $693. There is an Endowment Fund exceeding $1,100,000. The assets including building are valued at nearly $4,000,000.

The Masonic War Board reported total receipts exceeding $40,000 and expenditure of about $29,000, leaving a balance on hand exceeding $11,000. During the year grants were made to 6 Masonic centres in the State aggregating $7,000. In the opinion of the Board the work is not completed and some of the centres should be continued. They accordingly asked for continued financial support.

The Review of Correspondence is by M.W. Bro. Earle Stewart. The proceedings of 44 jurisdictions are reviewed. It is stated that with one exception all Grand Lodges reviewed report a gain in membership. The exception is the York Grand Lodge of Mexico. Attention is called to the use of dispensations by Grand Masters, the main reasons being to permit lodges to confer degrees out of time, mostly for men in the Forces. Reference is also made to physical qualifications and it is stated that the review shows a decided trend towards a more liberal interpretation and to place more power in the subordinate lodge. The Saskatchewan proceedings are not included in the review, no doubt for the reason that they had not arrived in time to be included.

OREGON

95th Annual Communication at Portland, June 13th, 1945. Grand Master H. D. Proudfoot. Lodges 170. Members 28,431. Gain 2,460. On April 10th, 1945, in order to comply with the order as to conventions the Grand Master addressed a communication to all the lodges stating that the annual meeting would be for one day only and that a quorum consisting of 7 or more lodges from the Portland area would convene on June the 13th. In order that all the offices be filled a ballot was mailed to each lodge to be used and returned to the office of the Grand Secretary not later than the first day of June. The Communication stated that no business other than necessary resolutions would be introduced and that Committee reports would not be acted upon but would be printed as an appendix to the proceedings and distributed to the lodges. All the officers attended the Annual Communication and 14 Past Grand Masters were present. 21 lodges were represented. The address of the Grand Master was referred for action to the next annual meeting.

The Grand Master emphasized the need of close attention to the reports which would be published in the preceedings. He stated that in granting dispensations shortening the time he had restricted the privilege to men in the forces. He also said that dispensations in respect of physical qualifications have not been numerous and that he had only granted dispensations in such cases after careful inquiry. He expressed the opinion that men who had been maimed in the service of their country were entitled to some consideration with regard to physical qualifications.

The Grand Master visited the Grand Lodges of California, Washington and Idaho. He also attended International Night in Seattle which is annually celebrated by Lafayette Lodge No. 241 of Washington. He reported the Grand Masters of Washington, Idaho, Montana and British Columbia were present as well as himself.

Referring to life memberships the Grand Master said the that schedule of fees as set out in the Manual is the minimum and each lodge should carefully consider its finances in relation to the subject. Lodges should not impair their income by having too many life members.

The finances are in satisfactory condition there being a substantial surplus in the General Fund as the result of the year's operations. Total assets exceed $1,000,000 including the Endowment Fund for the Home of $165,000 and an Educational Fund of $378,000. Educational assistance amounting to $5,319 was granted during the year. The operation of the Home cost about $52,000. On May 1st, 1945, there were 66 residents in the Home and a number were receiving maintenance outside.

A Special Communication was held on January 4th, 1945, at Portland for the purpose of conducting the funeral service of M.W. Bro. D. R. Cheney, Past Grand Master and Grand Secretary. The proceedings contain a memorial to this distinguished brother who had been Grand Secretary since 1922.

The Review of Correspondence is by M. W. Bro. Otto C. Hagmeier. In a foreword reference is made to the fear expressed by many Grand Masters that the future will see a repetition of the unpleasant experience which followed the great influx of members during and after the First World War. Reference is also made to the opinion held by many that the requirements as to physical perfection should be modified and that less emphasis should be placed on physical perfection and more on mental and spiritual qualities. The Saskatchewan proceedings for 1944 are very kindly reviewed.

PENNSYLVANIA

Grand Master S. S. Leiby. Lodges 562. Members 179,467. Gain 6,728. Quarterly Communications were held in March, June, September and December 1944, and the Annual Communication was held on December 27th, 1944.

At the Quarterly Communication in March the Committee on Correspondence made a full report on the application of the Grand Lodge of Chile for recognition. The report was to the effect that the Grand Lodge of Chile has 86 lodges and 5,000 members; that it has jurisdiction over all symbolic lodges in the Republic, and adheres to the Landmarks, traditions and customs established by the Grand Lodge of England in 1723. The Committee therefore recommended that recognition be extended to the Grand Lodge of Chile.

At the Quarterly Communication in December the Grand Master reported requests for recognition from the National Grand Lodge of Czechoslovakia in exile and from the Grand Orient of Spain in Exile. These requests were referred to the Committee on Correspondence.

Bequests during the year just past amounted to $316,000. There is an Endowment Fund for the Masonic Homes of $2,200,000. Individual funds received from bequests exclusive of those received during the year amount to about half a million dollars. There is also a capital account of $2,700,000. In the Masonic Homes 564 persons were being cared for at the end of the year. The operating cost of the homes was $366,339. the per capita cost per year being $646.00. The War Relief Committee reported assistance to a number of members or their dependents.

There is an Employment Bureau maintained in Philadelphia and also one in Pittsburgh. During the year 480 men were placed in employment. The cost of maintaining the Bureaus was about $11,000.

The Masonic Military & Naval Service Committee reported a very active year. In its report the Committee spoke highly of the work being done at the Masonic Service Centres. There was expended by the Committee for the entertainment and the furnishing of comforts to Service men a sum of $60,000 and the Committee had on hand an amount of about $70,000.

At the Annual Communication in December 1944 there was a full attendance of officers. The ceremony of the presentation of the Flag was performed in an impressive manner.

During the year the Grand Master dealt with a number of applications where the applicant had been rejected by a lodge on account of physical disqualification. In each case he ruled "that the physical disqualification does not now exist and that Lodge No.....or any other lodge in the jurisdiction may accept a petition for initiation and membership from the said.... and act upon the same in the usual manner."

M.W.Bro. S. S. Leiby was installed as Grand Master for the year 1944-45, this being his second year in office.

The Annual Communication was held at Philadelphia on December 27th, 1945. Grand Master S. S. Leiby. Lodges 562. Members 179,467. Gain 6,728. By direction of the Grand Master the Quarterly Communications of March, June and September, 1945, were not held in deference to the request of the War Mobilization Director. However, the Quarterly Communication was held in December because of the end of the war. At the Quarterly Communication in December the full reports were given of the finances. Bequests exceeding $111,000 were reported. There are securities and investments aggregating $2,918,000. The Masonic Institution for boys had 36 residents, a small number which is attributed to the war. The maintenance of the institution cost $38,000. It was reported that out of 291 boys who have graduated from the school, 188 have been engaged in military service.

The Masonic Homes had 544 residents on November the 15th, 1945. The cost of maintenance was about $400,000. a *per capita* cost per year of $725.00, an increase compared with that of the previous year when the *per capita* cost was $646.00.

The Masonic Employment Bureau reported placing 691 men in employment. Bureaus are operated in Pittsburgh and Philadelphia at a total cost of a little over $11,000.

The Committee on Correspondence reported requests for recognition for the Grand Lodge of Rio de Janeiro, The Grand Lodge National of Colombia and recommended that recognition be extended. Requests from the Grand Orient Do Sul (Brazil), the National Grand Lodge of Czechoslovakia in exile, the Grand Orient of Spain in exile in Mexico, and the Grand Lodge of Argentine will await further information.

At the Annual Communication on December 27th, 1945, visitors were present from the Grand Lodges of Connecticut, New Jersey, Maryland and Delaware.

In his address the Grand Master stated that never since the beginning of time has history recorded so many important events as those of the past two years: nations which were once strong and powerful have been humbled and the entire complexion of the earth has changed; humanity has been shocked by the ruthless destruction of life and property and people who are desirous of establishing a brotherhood where men could live with peace on earth are groping under a cloud of despair and uncertainty; the American nation has been especially favoured in that it has not suffered the ravages of war and has enjoyed countless blessings.

In referring to the membership the Grand Master stated that for more than ten years there had been a loss but beginning in 1943 there was a substantial gain, and in 1944 there had been an increase of approximately 10,000; while the increase had not been so large in 1945, it was still very substantial.

M.W. Bro. Richard A. Kern was installed as Grand Master. He thanked the brethren for the honour conferred upon him and expressed concern as to the magnitude of his task but hoped that with the help of the members he would be able to carry on successfully.

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND

70th Annual Communication at Charlottetown, June 27th, 1945. Grand Master W. R. Carson. Lodges 15. Members 1,094. Gain 26. A Special Communication was held at Summerside on March 19th, 1945, for the purpose of attending the funeral service of M.W. Bro. A. S. Mckay, Past Grand Master.

There was a full attendance of Grand Lodge officers at the Annual Communication and nine Past Grand Masters were present. The representatives of 24 sister jurisdictions were in attendance and were formally welcomed by the Grand Master, who asked them to convey the greetings of the Grand Lodge to their respective jurisdictions.

The Grand Master reported that every lodge had been visited by himself or by the Deputy Grand Master and that all meetings were well attended.

In referring to the war the Grand Master said that our nation and the Motherland had held aloft the olive branch in vain and had finally entered with all their might into the war — a holy war for the vindication of the great principles of humanity waged against a ruthless savagery. He stated that all should give thanks for the victory in Europe and also for the waning of the strength of the enemy in the Far East. The Grand Secretary reported activity among the lodges. All but two conferred degrees and ten showed a gain in membership. A number of dispensations were granted most of them to confer degrees within a shorter period than specified in the bylaws.

In the Report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence reference is made to the ending of hostilities in Europe and the probability of the restoration of Masonry. A desire is expressed to re-establish relations with the National Grand Lodge of Czechoslovakia, and also with the Grand Lodge of the Philippines. It is also stated that the Grand Lodge of Prince Edward Island has never enjoyed fraternal relations with the Grand Lodges of Denmark and Norway, and the opinion is expressed that an effort should be made to establish such relations.

QUEBEC

74th Annual Communication at Montreal, October 11th, 1944. Grand Master William Carswell. Lodges 94. Members 13,893. Gain 217. 90 lodges were represented and 8 Past Grand Masters were present. M.W. Bro. H. A. Mitchell acted as Grand Master in the absence of the Grand Master on account of illness. The address of the Grand Master was read by the Acting Grand Master. In the address reference was made to the progress which has been made by the forces of the United Nations and to the fact that final victory is now assured though much trouble may still have to be faced before the blessings of peace are restored.

Reference was made to the increase in membership, the Grand Master stating that the strength and stability of the order must in the final analysis rest with those who are now becoming members; he said that every effort must be made to assure the education of the new members.

The Grand Master visited the Grand Lodges of Vermont and Canada in Ontario. He also visited a number of the lodges. In 1922 the then Grand Master ruled that no Mason could take part in the establishment of or conduct of the Eastern Star. The Grand Master commented upon the ruling and stated that it was without effect with respect to the forfeiture of a Mason's standing should he become a member of the Order of the Eastern Star. He added however that his ruling was not intended to convey a recognition of the Order of the Eastern Star which is not one of the bodies recognized by the Grand Lodge of Quebec.

The Grand Master recommended to his successor in office that the question of physical requirements in their relation to candidates should be immediately studied and definite recommendations made in connection therewith; he remarked that it was unthinkable that any returned soldier should be debarred on account of physical handicaps.

A dinner was tendered to M.W. Bro. W. W. Williamson on the occasion of the 60th Anniversary of the Order and his 25th Anniversary as Grand Secretary. The toast to the Grand Secretary was proposed by M.W. Bro. A. B. Wood, and his address is printed in full in the proceedings.

The report of the Grand Secretary shows that 90 lodges initiated one or more candidates and only four failed to receive any; 65 lodges increased their membership while 24 showed losses, and 5 remained stationary.

There is a Benevolent Fund of $525,000 of which about $275,000 consists of mortgages held on the Masonic Memorial Temple in Montreal; an amount of about $3,000 was expended on relief during the year.

There is no review of correspondence published in the proceedings.

75th Annual Communication at Montreal. October 10th, 1945. Grand Master D. G. P. Sanderson. Lodges 94. Members 14,292. Gain 424. There was a full attendance of Grand Lodge officers and 8 Past Grand Masters were present. The representatives of 38 jurisdictions attended and all the lodges except 6 were represented.

In opening his address the Grand Master said that all should give thanks that the war has ended and that there had been complete victory for the cause of right and justice. On the evening preceding the Communication a service of thanksgiving was held.

In referring to the increase in membership the Grand Master said that it was to be expected that in times such as the present there should be an increase in applicants and he issued a warning as to the need of care in selecting candidates.

The Grand Master said that the question of admission of candidates having physical disabilities had been carefully considered and the conclusion reached that no general rule can be laid down; each case he said must be dealt with separately and in such a manner as to cause no permanent effect "on our ancient practice."

The Grand Master visited many of the lodges with the object in view of increasing the interest in the work of the Grand Lodge and furnishing information as to its activities. He reported a splendid welcome wherever he visited. He stated that he found no lack of interest in Masonic matters but just the reverse. He advised that every lodge be made aware of the existence of the library and that an active Board ot Masonic Education be formed and that this Board should function to supply the call for qualified instructors and speakers and thus counteract the present tendency to go outside the Craft for speakers.

The Grand Secretary commented upon the reduction in suspensions for non-payment of dues, the number for the year being 80, a figure less than for many years.

The Committee on Benevolence reported an expenditure of $2260 among 16 beneficiaries.

A summary is given of the finances of the year. Annual dues amounted to $9,025 and receipts for the Benevolent Fund were $4,438. Total revenue from all sources was $17,717. There were eighty suspensions for non-payment of dues and restorations numbered 68.

A review of correspondence is published. The Saskatchewan proceedings for 1944 are very kindly reviewed. The Flag Ceremony at the opening of Grand Lodge when the Union Jack and Stars and Stripes were presented is commented upon, the reviewer stating that the ceremony revealed the same high ideals binding the peoples of the two nations in the struggle for world democracy and peace. Reference is also made to the practice of promoting the Wardens to the higher offices.

RHODE ISLAND

153rd Annual Communication at Providence, May 15th, 1944. Grand Master Ralph Simpson. Lodges 45. Members 13,944. Gain 156. The Semi-Annual Communication was held on October 15th, 1943. In addressing the brethren the Grand Master stated that they should not forget the thousands who are prevented from attending similar meetings; the devastation of war had closed lodges and destroyed temples. He spoke of the work of the Masonic Services Association among the armed forces and reminded the brethren that all were asked to contribute $2,00 each to the support of the work.

Since the last meeting this Grand Lodge mourned the passing of 4 Past Grand Masters, M.W. Bro. Reuben M. Bemis, Grand Master in 1915; M.W. Bro. Joseph Lawton, Grand Master in 1921; M.W. Bro. Wilbur A. Scott, Grand Master in 1916; and M.W. Bro. James E. Batty, Grand Master in 1920. The Proceedings contain memorials to these distinguished brethren.

At the Annual Communication in May, 1944, there was a full attendance of Grand Lodge Officers, and 9 Past Grand Masters were present. Visitors attended from the Grand Lodges of Maine, New Hampshire, Connecticut, New Jersey and Massachusetts. The Grand Master reported the death of two Past Grand Masters since the Semi-Annual Communication, M.W. Bro. Edwin O. Chase, Grand Master in 1928, and M.W. Bro. George F. Ward, Grand Master in 1940. In all, 6 Past Grand Masters have passed away since the last Annual Communication.

Reference was made by the Grand Master to the increase in membership — the first in many years: he stated that the increase was in keeping with the times; uttered a note of warning by saying that the adding of numbers will not necessarily increase the strength of the Fraternity.

Following the plan adopted a year ago, the Grand Master, the Deputy Grand Master, the Senior Grand Warden and the Junior Grand Warden each undertook the visitation of lodges and as a result all were visited during the year.

The Grand Master attended the Conference of Grand Masters and reported interesting discussions on several subjects, among them the rehabilitation of Masonry in countries devastated by war, the Ancient Landmarks, and physical qualifications with special reference to men maimed in the war. He also attended the Annual Meeting of the George Washington National Memo.ial Association and presented a cheque for $500.00 on behalf of the Grand Lodge of Rhode Island. He reported that a sum of $4,500,000 had already been spent on the Memorial.

This Grand Lodge has received 101 requests from 33 jurisdictions for the conferring of degrees by courtesy and has made 36 similar requests of 15 jurisdictions.

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence reported one communication referred to it from a foreign country but stated that as a Committee in a neighboring jurisdiction is making a complete survey of Masonry in that country they made no recommendation. The country referred to is not named. There is no published review of correspondence.

SCOTLAND

Grand Master John Christie Stewart.

At the Quarterly Communication in February, 1945, reports of the proceedings of various jurisdictions were received and the thanks of the Grand Lodge expressed therefor. Among the proceedings acknowledged are those of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba. A communication was read from the Grand Lodge of Manitoba with a donation of £200. to be applied towards the special furnishings of the new temple in Malta. Cordial appreciation was expressed for this gift.

Sympathetic reference was made by the Grand Master to the profound loss suffered by the world through the death of the late Franklin D. Roosevelt, President of the United States. The Grand Master reported that he had sent messages of condolence to each of the Grand Lodges in the United States which exchange representatives with the Grand Lodge of Scotland. The Grand Master also announced that he had sent congratulations to President H. S. Truman who is the representative of the Grand Lodge of Scotland near the Grand Lodge of Missouri.

This Grand Lodge has two Annuity Funds, the General and the Orphans. Contributions to these funds for the year exceeded £10,000.

Grand Master Captain John Christie Stewart. The only proceedings of this Grand Lodge which have come to hand for 1945 are those of the Quarterly Communication held in Edinburgh on August 2nd, 1945. Acknowledgment was made of the reports of the proceedings of several Grand Lodges and thanks voted therefor. Charters were approved for several lodges including two in Bombay. Appointment of a District Superintendent was made for the lodges in Bermuda and a superintendent was also appointed for the lodges in Chile and Peru.

Reference was made by the Grand Master to the serious illness of The Earl of Harewood, the Grand Master of the United Grand Lodge of England. He reported that on behalf of the Grand Lodge he had written The Earl of Harewood expressing the hope that he would have a speedy recovery.

A communication was received from the National Grand Lodge of Norway stating that they had now resumed activity which was stopped by the German invaders in September of 1940. Satisfaction was expressed that fraternal relationship with the National Grand Lodge of Norway could be continued and it was decided to congratulate the Grand Lodge upon regaining their freedom and the restoration of their ancient rights and privileges.

Approval was given to a notice of motion to the effect that in view of the approaching Centennary of the Fund of Masonic Benevolence, consideration should be given to the question of the extension of the objects of the Fund to include other purposes of benevolence or to set up a new Fund for such other purposes. The Committee having the subject in charge would report the result of its deliberations.

The Earl of Galloway was named Grand Master for 1945-46. He was the Deputy to the present Grand Master for three years and according to the Grand Master no one could have discharged his duties more faithfully. The Earl of Galloway expressed his gratitude for the kind manner in which his work as Deputy had been referred to and stated that he would do his best to carry out the duties of Grand Master.

At the Quarterly Communication in November, 1945, the Grand Secretary read a letter from Mr. John Winant, the United States Ambassador, in which he thanked the Grand Lodge on behalf of President Truman, for the message of goodwill which had been sent to the President on behalf of the Grand Lodge of Scotland.

Reports of the proceedings of several sister jurisdictions were received and thanks voted therefor. Lord Galloway was chosen Grand Master for the ensuing year and expressed his gratitude stating that he approached his work with considerable trepidation but he was greatly encouraged by the happy spirit which prevails.

A motion was introduced and approved to the effect that in view of the approaching centennary of the Fund of Masonic Benevolence the Committee consider whether it would be desirable to extend the objects of the Fund and, if so, for what purposes, or to set up a new Fund for such other purposes and to report the results of its deliberations.

The Annual Communication was held on November 30th, 1945. Regret was expressed that the Grand Master elect, Lord Galloway, was not able to be present on account of illness. Other Grand Lodge Officers were duly installed in office. The Grand Master who acted as installing Master was accorded a vote of thanks. He expressed his gratitude and presenting his last report stated that the past year had been a memorable one in the history of the country and Empire; even the most optimistic a year ago would not have hoped that within nine months not only would the enemy in Europe be beaten but that terms of unconditional surrender would have been imposed on the enemy in the Far East.

The Grand Master reported Masonry in Scotland in flourishing condition. The membership had increased substantially and in his visits throughout the country he had impressed upon the officers the need of being certain that they were obtaining quality as well as quantity among the initiates.

The Grand Lodge Funds are in splendid condition, there being a substantial increase in the revenue for the year. Total invested funds approximated £800,000.

The District Grand Master of Northern China, Bro. Norman C. MacGregor, was present and reported on conditions there. He stated that on his return he hoped to get the lodges restarted and working once more. The District Grand Master of Malaya was also present. He was taken prisoner along with the Allied troops when the Japanese army overran Malaya and he gave an interesting account of life in a prisoner-of war camp some miles from Singapore.

The Grand Secretary of the United Grand Lodge of England was a visitor and the honorary rank of Grand Senior Warden of the Grand Lodge of Scotland was conferred upon him as an appreciation for his long and distinguished service.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA

Grand Master Andrew D. Young. The Annual Communication was held on April 18th, 1945 at Adelaide. There was a full attendance of Grand Lodge officers and 33 jurisdictions were represented, among them Saskatchewan by Bro. J. E. Walton. The President of the Board of General Purposes reported that the War Relief Fund now amounts to £9,600 and he expressed the hope that the Fund would continue to grow.

M.W. Bro. Andrew D. Young was again elected Grand Master after having already served for three years. He thanked the brethren for their expression of confidence and expressed the hope that he would be able to promote the progress and welfare of the Craft.

The Grand Master made sympathetic reference to the death of the President of the United States and stated that President Roosevelt would go down in history as one of the great presidents of a great country. He also made a fitting reference to the appointment of the Duke of Gloucester as the Governor General of Australia.

Reference was made by the Grand Master to the matter of conduct at the Festive Board; he made particular reference to the improper practice of allowing suggestive or questionable stories stating that it was not only in bad taste but contrary to the status and prestige which Masons should endeavour to maintain.

The total balance to the credit of all funds is about £82,000. There is a Benevolent Fund of £25,000 and during 1944 the sum of £1161 was expended for relief.

The review of proceedings is prepared by the representatives of the various jurisdictions. The Saskatchewan proceedings for 1944 are very kindly reviewed by the representative Bro. J. E. Walton. Reference is made to the growth in membership, to the action the Grand Master found necessary to restrain some lodges from entering the field of politics and to the physical requirements of candidates.

SOUTH CAROLINA

Grand Master Henry F. Collins. Lodges 267. Members 26,195. Gain 3,214. The Annual Communication was cancelled on account of the order from Washington that all conventions involving more than 50 people would be called off after February 1st. On making inquiries the Grand Master ascertained that the Grand Masters' Conference scheduled for February 21st and 22nd had been cancelled and that several Grand Lodges had also cancelled their annual meetings.

The proceedings published contain a report from the Grand Master and also the Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary. In referring to the increase in membership the Grand Master called attention to the responsibility resting upon the lodges in the assimilation of the new members and he emphasized the need of care in investigating all applicants.

The Grand Master visited the Grand Lodges of Montana, Wyoming, and Massachusetts. He was unable to attend the 100th Anniversary of Iowa and was represented by the Senior Grand Warden.

The Masonic Service Association established Masonic centres at Columbia and Spartonburg. According to the Grand Master these centres perform a splendid work among the members in the forces.

The Grand Master commented upon the financial situation and stated that the Grand Lodge was entirely out of debt. All surplus monies are being invested in war bonds.

A Special Communication was held at Grenville on March 24th, 1944, for the purpose of constituting Duncan Lodge 359. A Special Communication was also held on September 6th, 1944, to consider the question of selling the Masonic Temple building in Charleston. It was decided to appoint a Committee of five with power to receive offers and to sell on such terms as seemed best provided the price was not less than $200,000 net.

There is a review of Correspondence of 60 jurisdictions. The Saskatchewan proceedings for 1944 are very fully reviewed with references to the Flag ceremony, the Banff Conference, the refusal of the Grand Master to grant a dispensation to a candidate who was blind, and the decision of the Jurisprudence Committee that Blindness of itself should not be a bar. Reference is also made to a resolution of one of the Lodges that a man old enough to serve in His Majesty's forces should be considered old enough to become a member; the Grand Master's disagreement with this resolution is stated and the reviewer says that he agrees with the opinion of the Grand Master.

SOUTH DAKOTA

71st Annual Communication at Sioux Falls, July 10th, 1945. Grand Master R. Terry. Lodges 169. Members 15,116. Gain 777. A Special Communication was held on April 25th, 1945, at Hermosa for the purpose of conducting the funeral service of Bro. Theodore G. Hesnard.

On account of the order issued by the Director of War Mobilization prohibiting the meeting of more than fifty persons in any kind of convention, the Grand Master called a special meeting of Grand Lodge officers in the month of March to consider matters relative to the holding of an Annual Communication in June, 1945. It was decided that if there was no modification in the order as to conventions a Grand Master's conference with elective officers, Board of Trustees, Jurisprudence and Finance Committees, and as many as possible of the District Deputies should be held.

The Conference was held on July the 10th in lieu of the Annual Communication. In his address the Grand Master explained the circumstances leading to the cancellation of the Annual Meeting. He felt that some meeting should be held and as a result at the Conference of the officers it was decided to hold the limited meeting to review the activities of the past year and to make plans for the future.

The Grand Master reported that Masonry was very active during the year; nearly every lodge has been busy and there have been many requests for dispensations due largely to war conditions and to men in the forces being called away on short notice or home on leave for a short time and in some cases men who had not gained a residence in the State.

The Grand Master stated that he proposed to appoint a Committee to consider the matter of a Masonic Home, such Committee to report at the next Annual meeting. He also said that he proposed to submit to the Jurisprudence Committee the matter of physical qualifications as men will be returning from the war maimed to such an extent that they cannot comply with the requirements.

As the attendance was limited to officers and Committees, only urgent business was attended to . The report of the Grand Treasurer was presented and showed the finances in an excellent position. The Grand Secretary reported few lodges in arrears and the total amount of arrears much reduced. Two lodges were consolidated during the year. There was no election of officers as those in office will continue till the Communication in 1946.

TENNESSEE

132nd Annual Communication at Nashville, January 30th, 1946. Grand Master B. T. Dowkins. Lodges 376. Members 47,168. Gain 3,794. All Grand Lodge officers were in attendance and 14 Past Grand Masters were present. 361 lodges were represented there being only 15 without representation. Visitors were present from the Grand Lodges of Indiana and Delaware. In opening his address the Grand Master referred to the end of the war stating that the most wonderful victory of all time had been recorded; tyranny and autocracy were dead and that righteousness and justice live; in our present atomic age it is more important than ever that we have universal peace and all hope and pray that this will come about.

The Grand Master reported that for the first year since district meetings were commenced in 1935, every lodge in the state was represented. At nearly all meetings the attendance was increased as compared with the preceding year.

As has been the case in many jurisdictions in recent years there has been a decrease in the number requiring charitable assistance, but recently appli-

cations have begun to come due to the fact that in many instances men in the services were assisting their parents but now men are returning and their allowances have been stopped. State aid for old people is being supplied but the Grand Master said there was need for the services of Grand Lodge in addition.

There were three consolidations during the year, each of two lodges. The finances are in a sound position, there being a balance in the General Fund as a result of the year's operations. Maintenance of the Widows' and Orphans' Home cost about $43,000. There is an Endowment Fund of $697,000. The amount of $3,700 was voted to the George Washington National Memorial Association being the sum raised for the purpose during the year.

The Committee on Correspondence reported requests for recognition from the Grand Lodge of Bolivia, the Grand National Lodge of Colombia, and the Grand Lodge of Ecuador, but stated that full information as to their regularity had not yet been received.

The Review of Correspondence is by Bro. W. P. Douglas. 58 jurisdictions are reviewed. In a foreword reference is made to the general increases in membership "some of which are of such large proportions as to be alarming." The fear of many that these increases will be followed by decreases just as occurred after the first world war is referred to. Some however are of opinion that this result will not follow. The Saskatchewan proceedings for 1945 are very kindly reviewed with references to the District Meetings, the cyclone at Kamsack, and the Report of the Committee on the Condition of Masonry.

UTAH

73rd Annual Communication at Salt Lake City, January 22nd, 1945. Grand Master E. A. Bjorklund. Lodges 27. Members 4,732. Gain 262. After the opening ceremony the Flag of the United States was presented and the brethren joined in the pledge of allegiance. The roll of Grand Representatives was called, the Grand Master welcomed them and asked them to extend the best wishes of the Grand Lodge of Utah to their respective jurisdictions. The representative of the Grand Lodge of Alberta responded on behalf of those who answered the roll call. A reception was accorded to the 15 Past Grand Masters present, the Grand Master extending to them a warm welcome. In his address the Grand Master said that the year 1944 will be recorded as one of the most momentous in the history of mankind; war still rages but all should be thankful that it is rapidly drawing to a close.

The Grand Master visited every lodge during the year; he was cordially received and he thanked the officers and members of each lodge for their hospitality and expressed his deep appreciation for all the courtesies shown him.

According to the Grand Master Masonry in Utah is in a healthy and prosperous condition; a gain in membership is again reported and the lodges are in excellent financial condition. In his opinion the continued prosperity is due to war demands and many have joined who for years were not financially able to do so. Many in the armed services have become members and suspended members have been reinstated.

This Grand Lodge mourned the passing of M.W. Bro. William Littlejohn, Past Grand Master; while driving from Salt Lake City his car left the highway and rolled down the embankment. He had already passed away when a rescue party reached the scene of the accident. A Special Communication was held for the purpose of conducting the funeral service. Three other Past Grand Masters died during the year, M.W. Bro. Sidney W. Badcon, M.W. Bro. Arthur C. Wherry, and M.W. Bro. Herbert R. MacMillan, who died in Los Angeles after a long illness. The Proceedings contain memorials to these distinguished brethren.

The Grand Master issued a number of dispensations to applicants shortening the time between degrees, all except one being for brethren in the armed forces who expected to be sent from the jurisdiction on a moment's notice. Ten dispensations were issued for men in the forces when the sponsors of the petitions had known the applicants for less than one year.

The Review of Correspondence is by Bro. E. G. Titus. The proceedings of 56 jurisdictions are reviewed, among them Saskatchewan for 1944. In a foreword Bro. Titus states that the lack of space has shortened both the number and contents of the reviews. The entire review however consists of 105 pages and all of the jurisdictions are reviewed at considerable length and give one an accurate account of the activities. In the case of Saskatchewan the review consists of nearly three pages. Reference is made to the address of the Grand Master and to his remarks on the duties of Grand Lodge officers. Comment is made on the action of the Grand Master in refusing a dispensation to a candidate who was totally blind and to the action of the Committee on Jurisprudence in disagreeing with the Grand Master. Reference is also made to the increase in membership, to the report of the Committee on the condition of the lodges, to the reports of the District Deputy Grand Masters, and to the program of the Committee on Masonic Education.

VERMONT

152nd Annual Communication at Burlington, June 13th, 14th, 1945. Grand Master M. S. Czatt. Lodges 103. Members 16,581. Gain 353. Emergent Communications were held during the year for the purpose of conducting the funeral services of M.W. Bro. Charles H. Darling and M.W. Bro. Henry L. Balou, Past Grand Masters.

There was a full attendance of Grand Lodge Officers at the Annual Communication and 7 Past Grand Masters were present. The National Flag was presented and the brethren joined in the pledge of allegiance and the national anthem. 56 of the constituent lodges were represented. 36 jurisdictions were represented, among them Saskatchewan by Bro. Julius C. Thomas.

The Grand Master referred to the small representation of the lodges by reason of the order of the Office of Defence Transportation curtailing attendance at conventions to fifty persons, and states that all such orders were cheerfully complied with in time of crisis and accordingly notice had been sent to all lodges. Only matters requiring immediate decision or concerning routine business would be dealt with.

Reference was made by the Grand Master to the cancellation of the Grand Masters' Conference and the Annual Meeting of the George Washington National Memorial Association in January, 1945, because of the exigencies of war. He said that this was a distinct loss to the membership but under the circumstances there was no alternative.

During the year the sum of $25,000 was raised for the Masonic War Fund. The Committee in charge of the Fund is of the opinion that the monies now in hand will be sufficient to meet the demands which will likely be made for assistance. It was therefore decided not to ask for further support. Continued support will be given to the Masonic Service Association to help in its work with the men in the services and veterans, and it is the intention to raise the sum of $18,000 for the purpose.

In reporting on the membership the Grand Secretary drew attention to the number of dispensations and demissions from 1923 to 1944 inclusive. He stated that during that period there were 4,503 whereas there were only 1,047 added by registration or affiliation. He advocated a concerted effort to return demitted and suspended members. He referred to the fact that all lodges had paid their dues for 1945, a fine commentary on the condition of the order.

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence recommended that recognition be extended to the Grand Lodge at Barranquilla in Colombia, the Grand Lodge of Rio de Janeiro, and the Grand Lodge El Potosi in Mexico. The Committee stated that it was of the opinion that the contentious question of jurisdiction was approaching solution, the York Grand Lodge having jurisdiction throughout Mexico over English speaking lodges, and the Grand Lodges in the various states having jurisdiction over lodges using the Spanish language.

The Review of Correspondence is by M.W. Bro. Aaron H. Grout. In a foreword reference is made to the "Universal upswing in Membership" due to war and better times. The reviewer states that a liberalization of the doctrine of physical qualifications is gaining support and that the inner rather than the outer qualifications are being emphasized. The proceedings of 60 jurisdictions are reviewed among them Saskatchewan for 1944. There is a reference to the refusal of the Grand Master to grant a dispensation for the acceptance of a petition from a blind man and to the report of the Jurisprudence Committee disagreeing with the ruling of the Grand Master. The reviewer states that he is in full accord with the view of the Jurisprudence Committee.

VICTORIA

Grand Master His Honour Judge Book. Lodges 544. Members 57,620. Gain 2,756. Quarterly Communications were held in March, June, September and December, 1944, at Melbourne. At the Communication in March, 1944, the Board of General Purposes reported having written to 155 lodges in districts where recent bush fires occurred asking for details of losses in order to see if special measures should be taken to grant relief. They reported a grant of £500 to the Lord Mayor's Bush Fire Appeal Fund.

The Annual Report of the Freemasons Hospital was presented. For the year ending December 31st, 1943, 1,169 patients were admitted. Since the hospital was opened in 1932, 7,500 patients have received treatment. There was a loss in the operation of the Hospital for the year. There is however a Hospital Fund of £121,000 and the balance in all funds exceeds £475,000 including a Benevolent Fund of £254,000.

The Grand Secretary in his report gave an interesting account of the growth of the Grand Lodge. At its formation in 1905 there were 9,426 members and with few exceptions there have been increases each year until on December the 31st, 1943, the membership was 57,620.

In his address the Grand Master referred to the growth in membership and to the fact that five new lodges were formed during the year. He also spoke of the War Relief Fund which now amounts to £50,000 from which it is intended to give assistance to every worthy case. He also referred to the consideration which was being given by the Board of General Purposes to the desirability of providing further facilities to assist the education of children of members; he stated that he fully realized the necessity of not embarking on schemes of social reform but thinks there are things which Masonry could do to remind us that it is not an insitution which begins and ends with ceremonies and social gatherings. Benevolent Masonic activities are an evidence of sincerity and these should be increased and expanded.

At the Quarterly Communication in December, 1943, the Board of General Purposes reported that the monies voted for relief in the bush fire area at the Communications in March and June preceding had all been expended and a further grant of £2,000 was recommended.

R.W. Bro. F. E. Pettifer was nominated as Grand Master for the ensuing year and as there were no further nominations he was declared elected. The present Grand Master M.W. Bro. Book has served in the position for three

years. The Grand Master-elect thanked the brethren for the honour and said that he recognized that he had a great task ahead of him following in the steps of the Grand Master because of his remarkable gifts of eloquence as few others had hoped to attain.

The Review of Correspondence is by R.W. Bro. William Stewart. In a foreword it is stated that a review of the proceedings shows steady and progressive work in connection with the war effort; that in many jurisdictions the question of physical qualifications is under consideration. The proceedings of 31 jurisdictions are reviewed, among them Saskatchewan for 1944. Reference is made to the presentation of The Union Jack and the Stars and Stripes and to the singing of God Save the King and The Star Spangled Banner at the opening ceremony. The refusal of the Grand Master to grant a dispensation to a candidate who was totally blind is referred to without comment, but the fact that the Grand Lodge over-ruled the decision of the Grand Master is not stated. There is a reference to the statement of the Grand Master that he had on more than one occasion to restrain lodges from political activity and his opinion that they could not do so without violating one of the cardinal principles of Freemasonry.

VIRGINIA

165th Annual Communication at Richmond, February 9th, 10th and 11th, 1943. Grand Master Robert S. Barrett, Lodges 322. Members 39,492. Gain 409. After the opening ceremony the Flag was presented and the brethren joined in the pledge of allegiance. Visitors were present from the Grand Lodges of West Virginia, Delaware, North Carolina, South Carolina, Maryland, New Jersey, Pennsylvania and Kentucky.

The estimated receipts for the year were about $139,000 which includes the sum of $98,000 from the per capita tax which in this jurisdiction is $2.50. The amount appropriated for the Masonic Home exceeded $77,000. There is an Endowment Fund of $250,000 which represented a substantial increase over the preceding year.

A Committee, appointed to consider the advisability of the Grand Lodge becoming a member of the Masonic Service Association, reported, advising against membership in the Association and suggested that the Masonic Service centres be maintained under the supervision of the Masonic Service Commission which had been set up by the Grand Lodge for the purpose of extending Masonic interest among all the armed forces. This Commission reported much activity at all the military camps and as the result of an appeal a sum exceeding $22,000 was received to support the work of the Commission.

In addressing the brethren the Grand Master said that when he assumed office he realized the importance of arousing all the members to the necessity of doing all they could to aid the country in its war program. At the district meetings he spoke of the seriousness of the situation and asked all lodges to hold a special meeting to impress their members with the necessity of supporting every war effort. The Grand Master said that the task of winning the peace was even greater than that of winning the war; selfish nationalism and isolationism will step in but future wars must not occur, dictatorship must be destroyed, and the four freedoms must be made certain for all men.

According to the Grand Master the financial situation of Grand Lodge is excellent; borrowing to carry on had not been necessary as it had been for many years; he made reference to the increased membership and to the outstanding work being done by the Masonic Home; he had a very active year, visiting each of the 54 districts. He also visited the Grand Lodges of Maryland, Pennsylvania and the District of Columbia.

The review of correspondence is by R. W. Bro. James M. Clift, the Grand Secretary. The Saskatchewan proceedings for 1942 are very kindly reviewed with references to the address of the Grand Master and to the District Deputy Grand Masters.

WESTERN AUSTRALIA

Grand Master J. S. Battye. Lodges 171. Members 12,189. Gain 1,394. At the Quarterly Communication in August 1944 the District Grand Master of Scotland (Eastern Goldfields District) was a visitor.

In addressing the brethren the Grand Master said that when they met last year they had seen a ray of hope for the Empire and the Allies in the struggle which had been going on for several years; and now the ray of hope had become brighter until the star of victory was beginning to show on the horizon.

At the Quarterly Communication in February 1945 the Grand Master complimented the brethren on their attendance "on a hot night." In Saskatchewan where this review is being prepared we are not troubled with heat in the month of February!

The Board of General Purposes recommended that some change should be made in the election of a Grand Treasurer; they are of the opinion that this official should not retire each year but should be elected for a term of years.

M.W. Bro. Battye was again chosen Grand Master. He thanked the brethren for having elected him for ten years in succession and expressed the hope that he would render good service during the coming year.

The Annual Communication was held at Perth on the 24th of May, 1945. There was a full attendance of Grand Lodge Officers and a splendid representation from the lodges.

In referring to the war the Grand Master said that the greatest of the enemies in the world conflict had been defeated and that freedom was beginning to return to a much troubled Europe; he hoped for a similar Victory over the Eastern and less civilized enemy of the world. In celebration of the victory a thanksgiving service was held on Sunday the 27th day of May.

In referring to the membership the Grand Master stated that a large part of the increase was accounted for by affiliations which had been higher than in any previous year. Initiations were also higher than in previous years. The increase in membership was more than double of that in any former year.

The Grand Master spoke at length on the subject of Masonic Homes and expressed the opinion that the system followed in Western Australia is preferable to that of building a home. Charitable funds are used in such a manner that there are no administrative costs and all monies available are applied directly to objects of the Fund. Grants are made directly to those in need and there is no publicity whatever in regard to the sources of the assistance.

Appended to the proceedings is an interesting account of the development of Masonry in Western Australia. The first lodge there was formed in 1843, namely, Lodge of St. John, 485, under the English constitution. Western Australia was open territory until such time as there was a sovereign body of its own. In 1888 the District Grand Lodge of Western Australia

under the English constitution was formed: in 1894 there were 12 lodges in all under the Grand Lodge of England. Beginning in 1895 the Grand Lodges of Scotland and Ireland formed lodges which rapidly increased in number. In 1898 the Grand Lodge of England raised no objection to steps being taken for the formation of a Grand Lodge of Western Australia providing the rights of lodges desiring to remain under the English constitution were protected and in 1899 the Grand Lodge was formed with Sir Gerard Smith as Grand Master.

WEST VIRGINIA

80th Annual Communication at Charlestown, October 11th and 12th, 1944. Grand Master H. E. Jackson. Lodges 165. Members 31,192. Gain 1,359. 154 Lodges were represented and 11 Past Grand Masters were present. Visitors attended from the Grand Lodges of Kentucky and Maryland. The representatives of 42 jurisdictions were in attendance, Saskatchewan being represented by M.W. Bro. T. G. Strickler.

The Grand Master referred to the loss suffered by the death of many members as a result of the war and he urged the secretaries of the lodges to complete the records of young men in the armed services so that a complete story may be available for all time.

The Grand Master attended the Conference of Grand Masters and the Annual meeting of the George Washington National Memorial Association. He reported that West Virginia had exceeded the original quota of $1.00 per member but the Memorial is not yet completed and the quota has been raised to $1.70 per member. In order to fulfil its objective West Virginia must contribute $16,873 in addition to $41,172 already contributed. Referring to the Conference, the Grand Master spoke of the fact that it has no power to legislate or even to make recommendations, and he stated that the intention of the founders was to create an assembly of Grand Masters for the purpose of cultivating a spirit of social and fraternal intercourse with each other and between their Grand Lodges. He reported at length on the subject of the rehabilitation of Grand Lodges in Europe in regard to which a Committee was appointed. He was critical of the action of appointing committees pointing out that the Grand Lodge of England maintains its traditional attitude to Grand Lodges on the Continent proposing to recognize only such of them as meet the standards of regularity set up many generations ago.

Speaking of the war the Grand Master stated that the mighty events were destined to shape the future of unborn millions; he expressed the hope that as a result of the ruin wrought new temples erected to liberty and freedom will arise.

A Special Committee reported on the celebration of the 80th Anniversary which it was originally intended to hold on May the 10th, 1945. It was recommended that the celebration be held at Wheeling, where the Grand Lodge was founded, or at Charlestown, and that it be held on the next Communication of Grand Lodge in order to save expense. It was also recommended that the final decision whether to carry out the celebration or abandon the plans be left to a committee consisting of the Grand Master and the Past Grand Masters.

The Review of Correspondence is by M.W. Bro. Louis N. Tavenner. In a foreword the reviewer states that he has performed the task for twenty years. He says that he is impressed by the activities of all jurisdictions in their demonstrations of loyalty to their country and to civilization and to the services rendered in the military camps. The reviews of some of the Grand Lodges in Australia are very interesting and indicate the difficulties experienced by them in regard to the holding of meetings. The Saskatchewan proceedings do not appear to have been reviewed.

WYOMING

71st Annual Communication at Cheyenne, August 27th, 1945. Grand Master J. L. Sawyer. Lodges 50. Members 8982. Gain 577. A Special Communication was held at Laramie on October 6th, 1944, for the purpose of installing Ralph E. McWhinnie as Grand Marshal.

There was a full attendance of Grand Lodge officers at the Annual meeting and 17 Past Grand Masters were present. 40 constituent lodges were represented. Visitors attended from the Grand Lodges of Kansas, the District of Columbia and Montana.

The Grand Master in his address said that it was with hearts filled with gratitude that they were permitted to meet at the close of the most terrible global war ever known to man. He expressed the hope that the war had so changed the minds of all mankind as to realize that another war might mean the destruction of the whole human race and all desired that peace may be just and lasting throughout the world.

Early in the month of June the Grand Master issued a proclamation advising that under the regulations only a skeleton meeting would be held but shortly before the meeting the regulations were changed and it was thought best to hold a regular Communication.

This Grand Lodge supported the Masonic Service Association in the establishing of centres near Army camps by a one-dollar assessment per member per year during the continuance of the war. The Grand Master was of the opinion however that help would still be needed and he recommended continuance of membership in the Service Association and the usual assessment of one dollar.

In commenting on the membership the Grand Master said it was the largest in the history of Wyoming. Every lodge but four reported an increase in numbers. The Grand Master issued many dispensations most of them concerning men in the forces.

The Committee on Correspondence recommended that recognition be extended to the Grand Lodge Tamaulipas, Mexico, and the Grand Lodge of Rio de Janeiro, stating that both of them complied with the requirements and that the former had been recognized by 22 Grand Lodges in the United States and the latter by 25 Grand Lodges. The Committee also referred to the Commission being sent by the Masonic Service Association to study the condition of Masonry in the war-devastated countries of Europe.

The Review of Correspondence is by R.W. Bro. Irving Clark, the Grand Secretary. The proceedings of 49 jurisdictions are reviewed. Saskatchewan's however is not among them, no doubt because the report was not available to the reviewer in the month of August, 1945 when he presented his report.

YORK GRAND LODGE OF MEXICO

85th Annual Communication at Tampico, March 29th, 1945. Grand Master A. H. Seabrook. Lodges 11. Members 522. Gain 3. All Grand Lodge Offiicers and 7 Past Grand Masters were present. The representatives of 22 sister jurisdictions were in attendance; they were addressed by the Grand Master and asked to acquaint their respective jurisdictions with the proceedings of the day.

In referring to the war which had not ended at the time of the Communication, the Grand Master said that already there had been the spectacle of liberated peoples rising against each other; and that people are disturbed by unfortunate arguments arising as to spheres of influence, trade and economic advantages; these things tend to breed jealousy and suspicion which have always been at the bottom of international conflicts.

The Grand Master referred to the fact that in 1936 the Grand Lodge of Texas withdrew recognition from the York Grand Lodge. Believing that an endeavor should be made to re-establish amicable relations, he addressed a letter to the Grand Lodge of Texas requesting that fraternal relations be again extended and he hopes for favourable attention.

Two years ago a resolution was adopted permitting intervisitation among the members of the constituent lodges and members of lodges under the jurisdiction of the regular state Grand Lodges of the Republic of Mexico. The Grand Master spoke with confidence of the results of inter-visitation and is of the opinion that it will foster understanding and good-will with the State Grand Lodges. He referred to several meetings which he had held with officers of some of the State Grand Lodges.

In speaking of the membership the Grand Master said it was not what he would like it to be. There is little prospect of much material coming into the country and he said they should not be discouraged by increases in other jurisdictions; the special circumstances controlling the membership must not be forgotten.

The Committee on Foreign Relations made a visit to the Grand Lodge of Texas to which a request for recognition has been made. The Chairman of the Texas Committee reported that the request had been received rather late and he had not had time to consider the matter thoroughly.

Reference was made to the visit to Mexico of the Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Relations of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts, and of M.W. Bro. R. V. Denslow of Missouri, and to the favourable report which they had made on Masonic conditions in Mexico.

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